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INTRODUCTION

The mission of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing (NCSBN®) is to provide leadership to advance regulatory excellence by assisting member boards, collectively and individually, and to promote safe and effective nursing practice in the interest of protecting public health and welfare.

NCSBN serves as a consultant, liaison, advocate and researcher to its members, and as an educational and informational resource to policy makers and the general public. This publication provides statistics on the licensing activities of NCSBN's member boards and its two licensure examinations, the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN®) and the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN®).

Part I – Licensure Statistics

The data reported in Part I of this document include licensing statistics of the 60 state and territorial boards of nursing. The numbers of new licenses by endorsement and examination, as well as the total number of active licenses, are provided for each jurisdiction.

The data included in this publication provide licensing statistics for the period July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012, and July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013.

Part II – NCLEX® Examination Statistics

The NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN examinations are administered on behalf of 59 of the 60 NCSBN Member Boards (excluding the Nebraska Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Board, which is not responsible for administering entry-level nurse licensure). The purpose of these examinations is to determine if a candidate possesses the minimum knowledge and abilities to provide entry-level nursing care that is safe and effective.

Candidate performance on the NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN examinations is summarized and reported by quarter and year. This publication provides a detailed breakdown of candidate performance for 2012 and 2013, as well as historical data.

PART I – LICENSURE STATISTICS

The data reported in this section indicate licensure processing activity and the total number of individuals licensed to practice within each jurisdiction from July 1, 2011 to June 30, 2012 (tables 1-7), and July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013 (tables 8-15). Most data was obtained from Nursys. Some data was obtained from state and territorial boards of nursing (BONs).

Key Terms

RNs and LPN/VNs obtain licensure by **endorsement** (if licensed in another jurisdiction) or by **examination** (if the applicant has never taken the appropriate NCLEX® examination).

Active license figures are based on the reported actual or estimated total number of individuals holding an active license within a jurisdiction and represent the nurses available for employment.

Advanced practice licenses/authority to practice figures and tables contain data for advanced practice registered nurse (APRN) groups: certified registered nurse anesthetist (CRNA); certified nurse midwife (CNM); clinical nurse specialist (CNS); and certified nurse practitioner (CNP).

2012 LICENSURE STATISTICS

Table 1 lists the NCSBN Member Boards' jurisdiction and the types of licenses for which a BON has licensing authority.

Table 1. Boards of Nursing and their Licensing Authority				
JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	APRN
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
CA-RN	California Board of Registered Nursing	YES	NO	YES
CA-VN	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
GA-PN	Georgia State Board of Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
GA-RN	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
LA-PN	Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
LA-RN	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
NE-AP	Nebraska Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Board	NO	NO	YES
NH	New Hampshire Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NJ	New Jersey Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Table 1. Boards of Nursing and their Licensing Authority				
JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	APRN
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
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
TX	Texas Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
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
WV-PN	West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
WV-RN	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses	YES	NO	YES
WY	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Tables 2 through 4 provide data related to new licenses issued by endorsement or examination and the total numbers of active licenses (both RNs and LPN/VNs) by jurisdiction.

Table 2. Number of Newly Licensed RNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	265	1,176	1,441
AR	1,819	775	2,594
AS	8		8
AZ	2,922	2,538	5,460
CA-RN	13,208	9,032	22,240
CO	2,021	2,884	4,905
DC	362	2,654	3,016
DE	528	966	1,494
FL	9,335	9,169	18,504
GA	3,869	3,402	7,271
GU	29	62	91
IA	1,870	929	2,799
ID	792	892	1,684
IL	5,674	2,771	8,445
IN	3,614	2,062	5,676
KS	2,003	1,809	3,812
KY	3,580	1,596	5,176
LA-RN	2,578	1,446	4,024
MD	3,155	2,025	5,180
MA	3,905	2,713	6,618
ME	715	751	1,466
MI	5,427	1,666	7,093
MN	3,582	2,272	5,854
MO	3,781	2,164	5,945
MS	2,037	1,061	3,098
MP	152	2	154

Table 2. Number of Newly Licensed RNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MT	461	972	1,433
NC	4,121	3,633	7,754
ND	616	727	1,343
NE	1,253	637	1,890
NH	709	909	1,618
NJ	3,106	3,123	6,229
NM	1,055	983	2,038
NY	9,381	3,850	13,231
NV	960	2,740	3,700
OH	8,310	2,530	10,840
OK	2,094	1,649	3,743
OR	1,539	2,314	3,853
RI	522	697	1,219
SC	2,434	1,952	4,386
SD	711	545	1,256
TN	3,494	2,440	5,934
TX	10,187	6,351	16,538
UT	1,567	691	2,258
VA	3,782	3,157	6,939
VI	22	174	196
VT	1,048	923	1,971
WA	2,762	3,723	6,485
WI	3,337	1,818	5,155
WV-RN	919	1,655	2,574
WY	350	960	1,310
Total	141,971	105,970	247,941

No information is available for Alabama, Connecticut, Hawaii and Pennsylvania.

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	26	73	99
AR	1,100	174	1,274
AS	4		4
AZ	618	346	964
CO	401	326	727
DC	94	294	388
DE	222	71	293
FL	4,302	1,669	5,971
GA	1,057	557	1,614
GU	3	3	6
IA	1,169	116	1,285
ID	257	82	339
IL	1,766	332	2,098
IN	1,136	377	1,513
KS	948	335	1,283
KY	1,169	373	1,542
LA-PN	1,139	226	1,365
MD	599	332	931
MA	903	266	1,169
ME	77	54	131
MI	1,503	231	1,734
MN	1,702	266	1,968
MO	1,423	302	1,725
MS	678	235	913
MP	1		1

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MT	133	80	213
NC	1,018	677	1,695
ND	273	139	412
NE	380	76	456
NH	199	130	329
NJ	1,458	332	1,790
NM	180	87	267
NY	3,796	466	4,262
NV	77	316	393
OH	4,001	392	4,393
OK	1,096	259	1,355
OR	513	170	683
RI	36	64	100
SC	640	365	1,005
SD	167	51	218
TN	1,452	447	1,899
TX	5,461	1,137	6,598
UT	502	79	581
VA	1,795	416	2,211
VI	7	6	13
VT	167	99	266
WA	900	479	1,379
WI	1,107	187	1,294
WV-PN	600	233	833
WY	100	71	171
Total	48,355	13,798	62,153

No information is available for Alabama, California-VN, Connecticut, Hawaii and Pennsylvania.

Table 4. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
AL*	49,963	12,935	62,898
AK	15,026	1,433	16,459
AR	35,108	15,594	50,702
AS	86	110	196
AZ	72,376	11,153	83,529
CA-RN	377,028		377,028
CA-VN*		119,538	119,538
CO	63,057	9,862	72,919
CT*	56,616	13,190	69,806
DC	24,449	3,185	27,634
DE	15,313	2,759	18,072
FL	252,737	68,688	321,425
GA	111,947	35,469	147,416
GU	925	169	1,094
HI	20,715	2,688	23,403
IA	47,637	12,150	59,787
ID	19,541	4,135	23,676
IL	175,497	30,950	206,447
IN	96,818	29,264	126,082
KS	48,046	10,891	58,937
KY	61,377	15,451	76,828
LA RN	57,281		57,281
LA-PN		23,194	23,194
MA	118,216	21,359	139,575
ME	22,486	2,649	25,135
MD	71,330	13,744	85,074
MI	135,058	26,321	161,379
MN	89,135	24,293	113,428
MS	43,081	13,932	57,013
MO	95,324	25,841	121,165
MP	1,166	59	1,225
MT	16,399	3,543	19,942
NC	118,296	21,593	139,889
ND	12,195	3,690	15,885
NE	26,199	6,970	33,169
NH	20,533	3,471	24,004
NJ	114,775	23,514	138,289
NM	24,394	3,174	27,568
NV	27,837	3,238	31,075
NY	275,826	71,055	346,881
OH	179,592	60,244	239,836

Table 4. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
OK	46,522	18,399	64,921
OR	48,189	4,486	52,675
PA*	213,057	57,760	270,817
RI	17,504	1,969	19,473
SC	57,536	12,273	69,809
SD	15,319	2,507	17,826
TN	85,555	30,172	115,727
TX	247,000	95,723	342,723
UT	29,468	3,279	32,747
VA	93,412	28,553	121,965
VI	1,652	203	1,855
VT	18,357	1,866	20,223
WA	83,323	13,481	96,804
WI	85,111	16,453	101,564
WV PN		11,034	11,034
WV RN	30,035		30,035
WY	9,332	1,237	10,569
Total	4,074,757	1,050,893	5,125,650

*2011-2012 data not available. Data reported is the most recent data that was submitted by the board of nursing.

Table 5 provides aggregate data of newly licensed nurses and active licenses for RNs and LPNs/VNs.

Table 5. Total Number of New and Active Licenses

Total Number of Newly Licensed Nurses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	247,941
LPN/VNs	62,153
Total	310,094
Total Number of Active Licenses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	4,074,757
LPN/VNs	1,050,893
Total	5,125,650

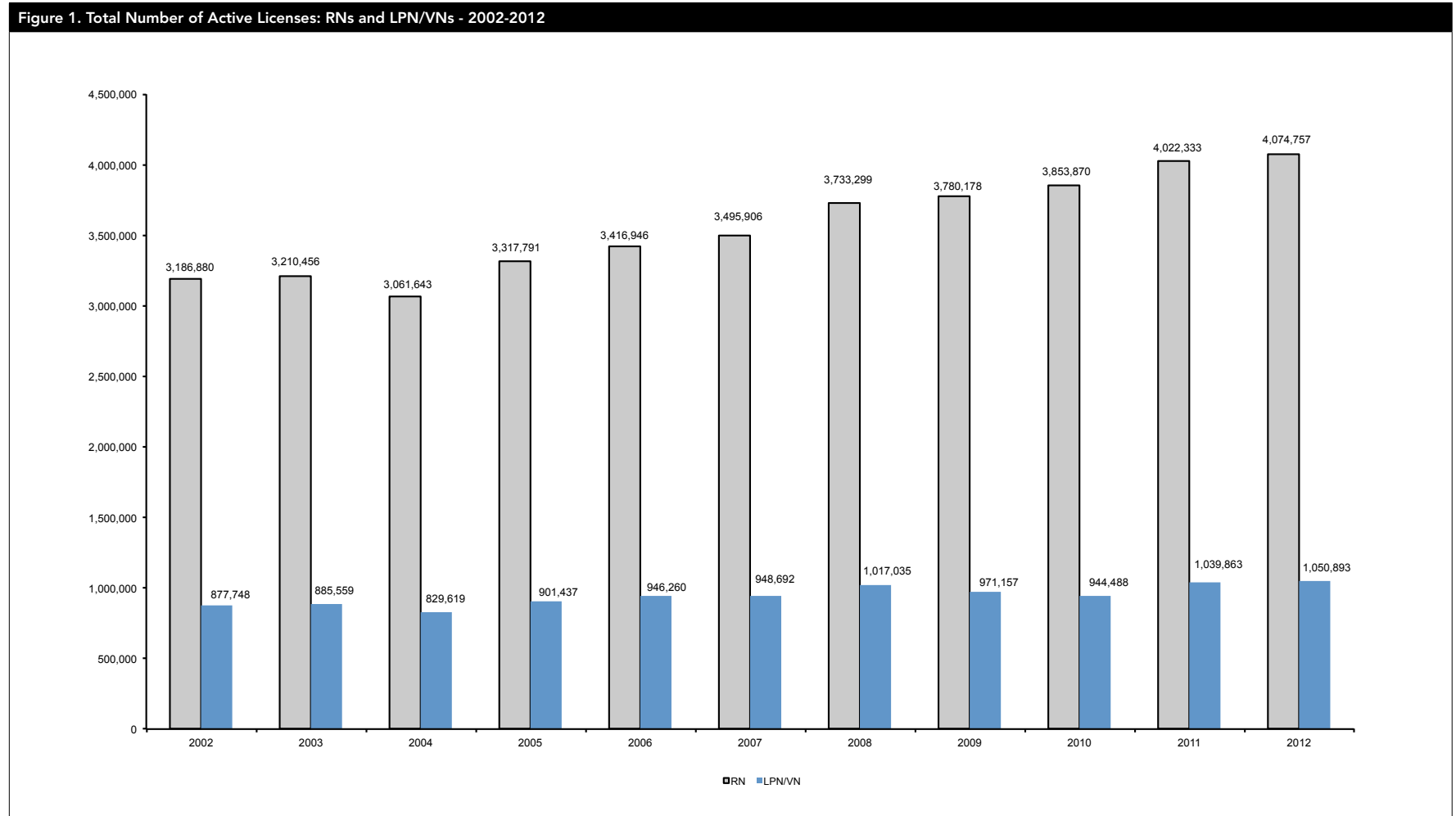
Tables 6 and 7 provide the numbers of APRNs with the authority to practice by role.

JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
AK		177		789	966
AR	27	711	132	1,392	2,262
AZ	210	594	187	3,942	4,933
CA-RN	1,229	2,113	3,243	17,071	23,656
CO	337	723	683	3,285	5,028
DC	84	142	44	992	1,262
DE	32	300	128	735	1,195
FL	649	4,134	125	17,932	22,840
GA	450	1,802	344	5,353	7,949
GU	4	1	1	12	18
HI					1,051
ID	32	403	43	743	1,221
IL	354	1,450	745	4,841	7,390
IA	99	486	85	1,616	2,286
KY	98	1,167	171	3,135	4,571
LA-RN	38	1,383	222	2,487	4,130
MA	478	1,183	912	6,883	9,456
MD	227	767		3,924	4,918
MI	323	2,522		4,978	7,823
MN	258	1,696	526	3,067	5,547
MO	109	1,752	390	4,414	6,665

JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
MP	4			9	13
NC	254	3,015	83	4,211	7,563
ND	13	324	47	514	898
NE	29	468	85	1,015	1,597
NM		198	157	1,183	1,538
NV	19	129		741	889
NY				14,893	14,893
OH	334	2,563	1,606	5,767	10,270
OK	51	643	224	1,235	2,153
OR		542	203	2,618	3,363
SC	101	1,380	68	2,058	3,607
SD	28	418	74	544	1,064
TN	163	2,369	167	6,251	8,950
TX	389	3,889	1,407	10,289	15,974
UT	138	233		1,412	1,783
VA	208	1,803	431	6,938	9,380
WA	364	809		4,212	5,385
WV-RN	60	393	67	934	1,454
WY	19	141	8	386	554
Total	7,212	42,823	12,608	152,801	216,495

Abbreviation	Category	Active Licenses
		N
CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife	7,212
CRNA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	42,823
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist	12,608
CNP	Certified Nurse Practitioner	152,801
Total		216,495

Figure 1 provides a review of the numbers of active licenses for the years 2002-2012. Unless noted otherwise, all numbers are calculated in terms of column totals.



2013 LICENSURE STATISTICS

Table 8 lists the NCSBN Member Boards' jurisdiction and the types of licenses for which a BON has licensing authority.

JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	APRN
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
CA-RN	California Board of Registered Nursing	YES	NO	YES
CA-VN	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
GA-PN	Georgia State Board of Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
GA-RN	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
LA-PN	Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
LA-RN	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
NE-AP	Nebraska Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Board	NO	NO	YES
NH	New Hampshire Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
NJ	New Jersey Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Table 8. Boards of Nursing and their Licensing Authority

JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	APRN
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
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
TX	Texas Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
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
WV-PN	West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
WV-RN	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses	YES	NO	YES
WY	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Tables 9 through 11 provide data related to new licenses issued by endorsement or examination and the total numbers of active licenses (both RNs and LPN/VNs) by jurisdiction.

Table 9. Number of Newly Licensed RNs by Jurisdiction			
JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	231	1,217	1,448
AR	1,637	811	2,448
AS	4		4
AZ	2,853	2,543	5,396
CA-RN	12,357	9,518	21,875
CO	2,038	3,020	5,058
DC	385	2,710	3,095
DE	502	867	1,369
FL	10,059	8,890	18,949
GA RN	3,750	4,131	7,881
GU	2	1	3
HI			19,672
IA	1,855	1,042	2,897
ID	733	706	1,439
IL	6,445	2,869	9,314
IN	4,260	2,535	6,795
KS	1,838	2,460	4,298
KY	2,542	1,458	4,000
LA-RN	2,348	1,194	3,542
MA	3,899	3,597	7,496
MD	3,198	2,216	5,414
ME	641	811	1,452
MI	5,019	1,894	6,913
MN	3,269	2,596	5,865
MO	3,551	1,814	5,365
MS	1,783	901	2,684

Table 9. Number of Newly Licensed RNs by Jurisdiction			
JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MP	145	7	152
MT	526	1,038	1,564
NC	3,927	3,732	7,659
ND	590	727	1,317
NE	1,158	599	1,757
NH	560	925	1,485
NJ	3,201	3,562	6,763
NM	1,198	846	2,044
NV	1,018	2,535	3,553
NY	10,663	4,453	15,116
OH	7,975	2,358	10,333
OK	1,716	1,466	3,182
OR	1,510	2,536	4,046
PA	6,763	4,229	10,992
RI	623	665	1,288
SC	2,199	1,735	3,934
SD	501	413	914
TN	3,292	2,347	5,639
TX	11,292	6,957	18,249
UT	1,546	676	2,222
VA	3,417	3,322	6,739
VT	606	916	1,522
VI	15	278	293
WA	2,514	4,123	6,637
WI	3,476	1,693	5,169
WV-RN	818	1,587	2,405
WY	267	1,150	1,417
Total	146,715	114,676	281,063

No information is available for Alabama, American Samoa and Connecticut.

Table 10. Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	30	75	105
AR	1,015	178	1,193
AZ	455	335	790
CA-VN	5,548	91	5,639
CO	432	294	726
DC	68	188	256
DE	241	79	320
FL	3,800	1,511	5,311
GA-PN	1,094	693	1,787
GU	2		2
HI			2,201
IA	1,013	96	1,109
ID	212	71	283
IL	1,798	317	2,115
IN	1,053	483	1,536
KS	1,061	262	1,323
KY	910	297	1,207
MA	980	205	1,185
MD	497	350	847
ME	69	76	145
MI	1,603	306	1,909
MN	1,585	277	1,862
MO	1,364	248	1,612
MS	645	185	830
MP	3		3

Table 10. Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MT	111	102	213
NC	1,014	622	1,636
ND	341	141	482
NE	341	71	412
NH	156	94	250
NJ	1,431	352	1,783
NM	147	105	252
NV	135	301	436
NY	3,945	511	4,456
OH	3,351	341	3,692
OK	1,084	253	1,337
OR	456	154	610
PA	2,478	505	2,983
RI	46	67	113
SC	573	303	876
SD	181	65	246
TN	1,345	398	1,743
TX	5,572	1,077	6,649
UT	505	72	577
VA	1,453	463	1,916
VT	158	81	239
VI		15	15
WA	957	456	1,413
WI	993	190	1,183
WV-PN	532	245	777
WY	87	56	143
Total	52,870	13,657	68,728

No information is available for Alabama, American Samoa, California-VN, Connecticut and Louisiana-PN.

Table 11. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
AL*	49,963	12,935	62,898
AK	16,564	1,532	18,096
AR	36,380	15,544	51,924
AS	93	111	204
AZ	75,099	10,990	86,089
CA-RN	387,351		387,351
CA-VN		88,093	88,093
CO	64,985	8,678	73,663
CT*	56,616	13,190	69,806
DC	23,833	3,530	27,363
DE	16,492	3,068	19,560
FL	256,379	74,017	330,396
GA	115,158	32,504	147,662
GU	934	172	1,106
HI	19,672	2,201	21,873
IA	48,751	11,822	60,573
ID	21,005	4,402	25,407
IL	171,725	27,228	198,953
IN	104,244	26,873	131,117
KS	50,390	10,926	61,316
KY	65,268	16,545	81,813
LA-RN	58,290		58,290
LA-PN*		23,194	23,194
MA	121,189	21,187	142,376
ME	22,965	2,593	25,558
MD	73,773	13,603	87,376
MI	142,291	28,234	170,525
MN	91,058	23,960	115,018
MS	42,516	14,810	57,326
MO	92,505	24,336	116,841
MP	1,288	57	1,345
MT	17,296	3,554	20,850
NC	121,373	21,689	143,062
ND	12,791	3,740	16,531
NE	26,013	7,383	33,396
NH	20,835	3,384	24,219
NJ	117,695	23,993	141,688
NM	24,951	3,003	27,954
NV	28,483	3,315	31,798
NY	288,874	75,326	364,200
OH	190,826	56,187	247,013

Table 11. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
OK	49,912	19,557	69,469
OR	49,499	4,659	54,158
PA	211,538	57,018	268,556
RI	17,904	1,927	19,831
SC	58,025	11,964	69,989
SD	15,521	2,542	18,063
TN	89,068	30,622	119,690
TX	256,293	97,289	353,582
UT	29,979	3,386	33,365
VA	96,532	28,779	125,311
VI	2,081	223	2,304
VT	15,095	2,165	17,260
WA	83,663	12,944	96,607
WI	90,233	14,294	104,527
WV-PN		11,769	11,769
WV-RN	30,519		30,519
WY	11,105	1,388	12,493
Total	4,182,881	1,018,435	5,201,316¹

¹*2012-2013 data not available. Data reported is the most recent data that was submitted by the board of nursing.

Table 12 provides aggregate data of newly licensed nurses and active licenses for RNs and LPNs/VNs.

Table 12. Total Number of New and Active Licenses

Total Number of Newly Licensed Nurses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	281,063
LPN/VNs	68,728
Total	349,791
Total Number of Active Licenses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	4,182,881
LPN/VNs	1,018,435
Total	5,201,316

Tables 13 and 14 provide the numbers of APRNs with the authority to practice by role.

Table 13. Number of APRNs in Each Jurisdiction, by Role

JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
AK		193		844	1,037
AR	28	719	138	1,522	2,407
AZ	211	656	203	4,624	5,694
CA-RN	1,234	2,202	3,375	17,968	24,779
CO	342	697	664	3,488	5,191
DC	92	180	51	1,188	1,511
DE	35	317	133	830	1,315
FL	745	4,851	152	19,061	24,809
GA	468	1,851	546	5,862	8,727
GU	6	1	1	14	22
HI					1,020
ID	32	436	44	841	1,353
IL	408	1,728	973	5,401	8,510
IA	111	548	90	1,943	2,692
KS	90	935	580	2,517	4,122
KY	99	1,226	184	3,711	5,220
LA-RN	37	1,418	210	2,772	4,437
ME	86	401	112	1,232	1,831
MA	485	1,246	902	7,367	10,000
MD	243	813		4,187	5,243
MI	310	2,396		4,253	6,959
MN	273	1,695	545	3,450	5,963
MO	102	1,720	381	4,720	6,923
MP	4			10	14

Table 13. Number of APRNs in Each Jurisdiction, by Role

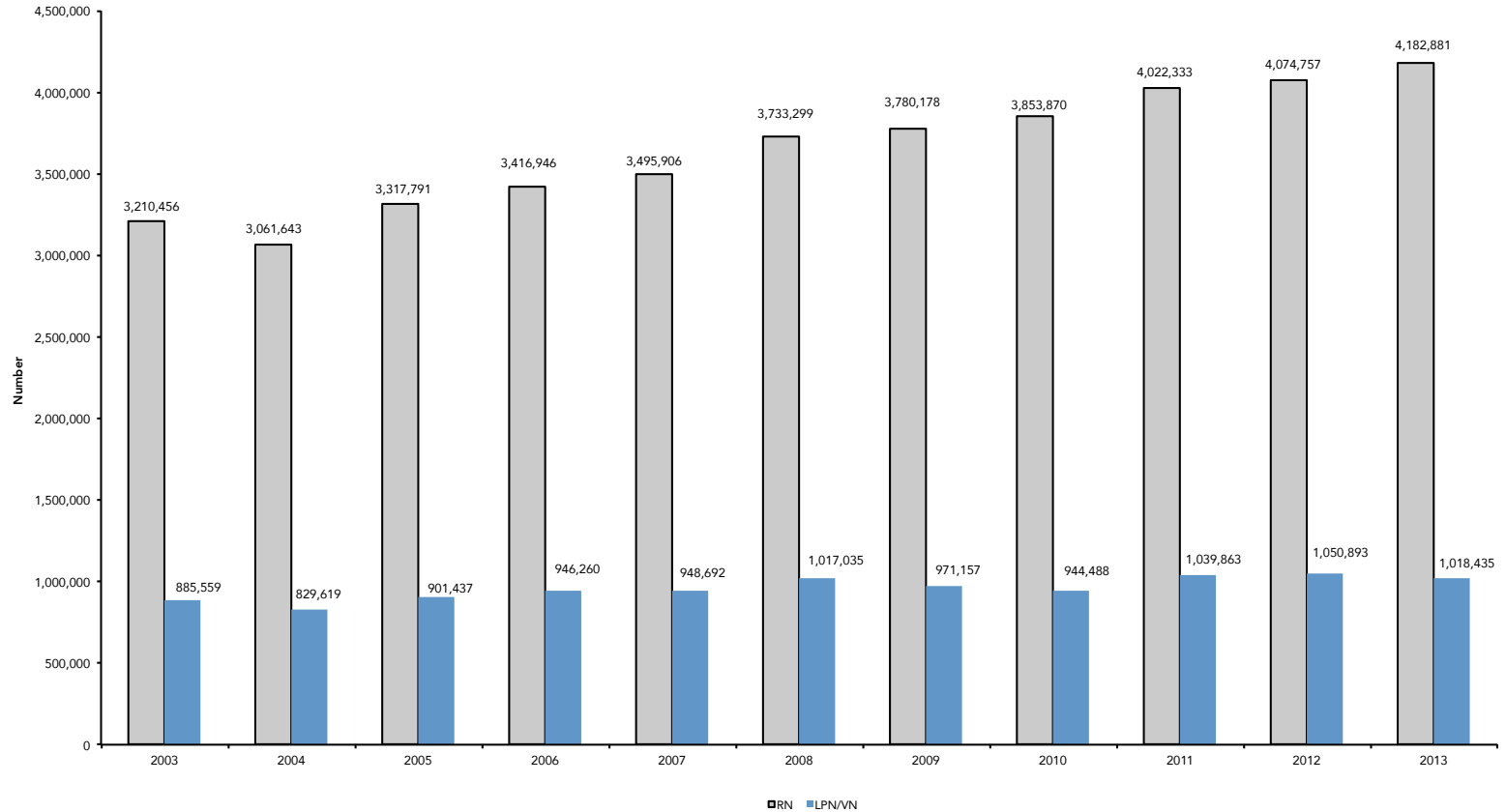
JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
NC	270	3,123	87	4,647	8,127
ND	14	329	46	563	952
NE	34	502	90	1,169	1,795
NV	19	128		789	936
NH	160	485	225	1,619	2,489
NM		416	151	1,402	1,969
NY				16,390	16,390
OH	354	2,767	1,627	6,725	11,473
OK	67	700	248	1,361	2,376
OR		578	199	2,769	3,546
RI	112	238	216	1,478	2,044
SC	110	1,498	76	2,367	4,051
SD	31	426	72	587	1,116
TN	183	2,548	136	7,362	10,229
TX	412	4,052	1,405	11,483	17,352
UT	147	487		1,569	2,203
VT	57	60	34	436	587
VA	252	1,916	431	7,495	10,094
WA	378	838		4,314	5,530
WV-RN	67	753	65	1,156	2,041
WY	17	123	8	379	527
Total	8,125	48,196	14,400	173,865	245,606

Table 14. Total Number of APRNs, by Role

Abbreviation	Category	Active Licenses
		N
CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife	8,125
CRNA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	48,196
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist	14,400
CNP	Certified Nurse Practitioner	173,865
Total		245,606

Figure 2 provides a review of the numbers of active licenses for the years 2003-2013. Unless noted otherwise, all numbers are calculated in terms of column totals.

Figure 2. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs - 2003-2013



The data included on pages 23–29 provide licensing statistics for the period July 1, 2013, to Dec. 31, 2013. Table 15 lists the NCSBN Member Boards' jurisdiction and the types of licenses for which a BON has licensing authority.

Table 15. Boards of Nursing and their Licensing Authority

JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	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
CA-RN	California Board of Registered Nursing	YES	NO	YES
CA-VN	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
GA	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
LA-PN	Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
LA-RN	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
NE-AP	Nebraska Advanced Practice Registered Nurse Board	NO	NO	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

Table 15. Boards of Nursing and their Licensing Authority

JD	BON	RN	LPN/VN	Other Specialty Groups
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
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
TX	Texas Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
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
WV-PN	West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
WV-RN	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Professional Nurses	YES	NO	YES
WY	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES

Tables 16 through 18 provide data related to new licenses issued by endorsement or examination and the total numbers of active licenses (both RNs and LPN/VNs) by jurisdiction.

Table 16. Number of Newly Licensed RNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	111	635	746
AS		1	1
AZ	922	1,722	2,644
AR	766	441	1,207
CA-RN	5,682	4,649	10,331
CO	1,204	1,947	3,151
CT	1,160	1,183	2,343
DE	249	638	887
DC	222	1,489	1,711
FL	4,592	5,557	10,149
GU	26	17	43
ID	340	523	863
IL	4,303	1,550	5,853
IN	1,203	1,362	2,565
IA	993	676	1,669
KS	584	982	1,566
KY	749	667	1,416
LA RN	734	538	1,272
ME	211	343	554
MD	1,256	1,027	2,283
MA	1,874	1,582	3,456
MI	2,423	968	3,391
MN	1,191	1,672	2,863
MS	469	662	1,131
MO	1,721	1,064	2,785
MP	53	4	57

Table 16. Number of Newly Licensed RNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed RNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MT	190	648	838
NE	492	357	849
NV	385	1,391	1,776
NH	297	508	805
NJ	1,986	1,428	3,414
NM	471	433	904
NY	5,608	2,238	7,846
NC	1,117	2,182	3,299
ND	142	398	540
OH	4,473	1,624	6,097
OR	1,095	1,427	2,522
PA	4,078	2,118	6,196
RI	274	396	670
SC	963	1,242	2,205
SD	246	333	579
TN	1,652	1,282	2,934
TX	4,843	4,080	8,923
UT	485	363	848
VT	183	627	810
VI	22	79	101
VA	1,893	1,609	3,502
WA	1,619	2,717	4,336
WV-RN	376	1,002	1,378
WI	1,330	789	2,119
WY	155	665	820
Total	67,413	61,835	129,248

No information available for Alabama, Georgia, Hawaii and Oklahoma.

Table 17. Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
AK	12	59	71
AS			0
AZ	274	193	467
AR	654	98	752
CA-VN	3,652		3,652
CO	272	157	429
CT	257	62	319
DE	105	36	141
DC	27	106	133
FL	1,970	883	2,853
GU	4	5	9
ID	129	38	167
IL	1,059	155	1,214
IN	519	245	764
IA	592	67	659
KS	364	149	513
KY	359	152	511
LA-PN	595	114	709
ME	32	34	66
MD	240	160	400
MA	784	117	901
MI	840	164	1,004
MN	671	152	823
MS	411	81	492
MO	950	134	1,084

Table 17. Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs by Jurisdiction

JD	Licensure by Examination	Licensure by Endorsement	Total Number of Newly Licensed LPN/VNs in Jurisdiction
	N	N	N
MP	3		3
MT	49	45	94
NE	192	44	236
NV	67	142	209
NH	87	61	148
NJ	735	127	862
NM	104	40	144
NY	2,436	251	2,687
NC	731	392	1,123
ND	147	67	214
OH	1,905	177	2,082
OR	279	80	359
PA	1,387	237	1,624
RI	47	26	73
SC	392	190	582
SD	140	31	171
TN	754	198	952
TX	2,778	598	3,376
UT	159	39	198
VT	138	53	191
VI	1	2	3
VA	746	249	995
WA	489	264	753
WV-PN	413	138	551
WI	472	100	572
WY	66	25	91
Total	29,489	6,937	36,426

No information available for Alabama, Georgia, Hawaii and Oklahoma.

Table 18. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
AL	49,963	12,935	62,898
AK	11,396	886	12,282
AR	36,807	15,657	52,464
AS	93	111	204
AZ	75,320	10,639	85,959
CA-RN	404,756		404,756
CA-VN		89,827	89,827
CO	64,892	9,081	73,973
CT	60,271	13,732	74,003
DC	22,762	2,671	25,433
DE	15,750	3,201	18,951
FL	266,617	65,785	332,402
GA	115,158	32,504	147,662
GU	947	174	1,121
HI	19,672	2,201	21,873
IA	49,496	11,737	61,233
ID	21,818	4,568	26,386
IL	177,842	28,507	206,349
IN	99,045	27,784	126,829
KS	50,772	10,728	61,500
KY	63,062	15,183	78,245
LA RN	59,665		59,665
LA-PN		23,771	23,771
ME	23,014	2,551	25,565
MD	40,604	7,360	47,964
MA	125,376	20,830	146,206
MI	145,832	28,839	174,671
MN	92,199	23,727	115,926
MS	43,684	15,341	59,025
MO	95,245	25,336	120,581
MP	1,199	59	1,258
MT	18,116	3,645	21,761
NE	26,714	6,483	33,197
NV	28,906	3,326	32,232
NH	21,002	3,365	24,367
NJ	117,710	23,743	141,453
NM	25,057	2,989	28,046
NY	295,117	77,853	372,970
NC	122,256	21,979	144,235
ND	13,276	3,932	17,208
OH	182,488	58,326	240,814

Table 18. Total Number of Active Licenses: RNs and LPN/VNs, by Jurisdiction

JD	RNs	LPN/VNs	Total Number
	N	N	N
OK	49,912	19,557	69,469
OR	50,658	4,735	55,393
PA	213,469	58,769	272,238
RI	18,637	2,012	20,649
SC	59,254	12,329	71,583
SD	15,378	2,467	17,845
TN	90,012	30,413	120,425
TX	260,737	98,092	358,829
UT	30,638	3,445	34,083
VA	97,801	28,791	126,592
VI	2,197	228	2,425
VT	16,289	2,364	18,653
WA	85,058	12,865	97,923
WI	92,177	15,076	107,253
WV PN		12,342	12,342
WV RN	29,286		29,286
WY	11,888	1,468	13,356
Total	4,207,290	1,016,319	5,223,609¹

¹ Includes 301,902 — total number of active licenses reported in 2012–2013 for Alabama, Georgia, Hawaii and Oklahoma.

Table 19 provides aggregate data of newly licensed nurses and active licenses for RNs and LPNs/VNs.

Table 19. Total Number of New and Active Licenses

Total Number of Newly Licensed Nurses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	129,248
LPN/VNs	36,426
Total	165,674
Total Number of Active Licenses in All Jurisdictions	
RNs	4,207,290
LPN/VNs	1,016,319
Total	5,223,609

¹ Includes 280,029 — total number of active licenses reported in 2012–2013 for Alabama, Georgia, Hawaii and Oklahoma.

Tables 20 and 21 provide the numbers of APRNs with the authority to practice by role.

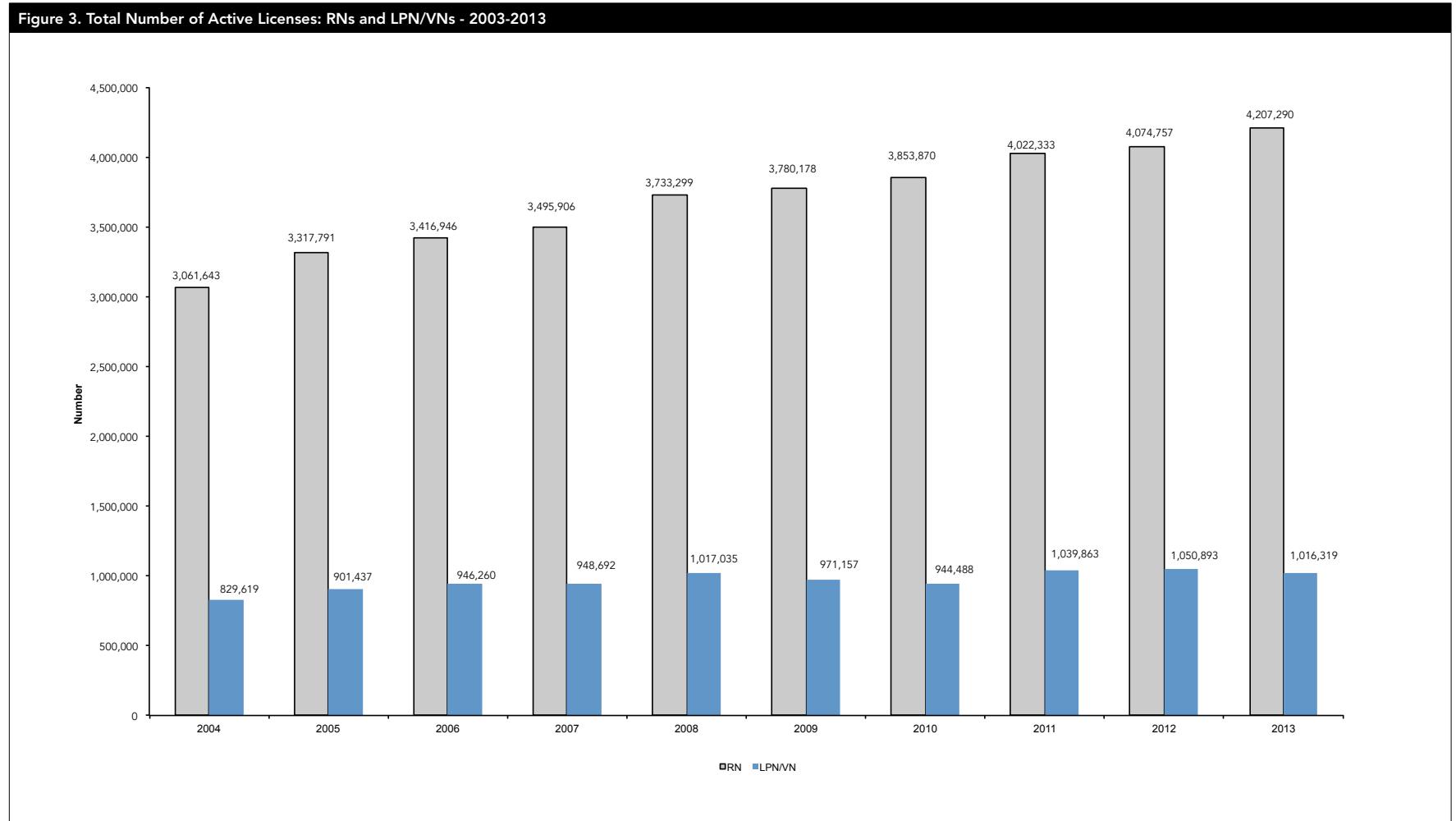
JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
CO	348	688	640	3,621	5,297
DC	60	116	41	809	1,026
DE	33	317	133	775	1,258
FL	713	4,579	138	13,673	19,103
GA	236	991	175	3,950	5,352
ID	38	410	49	878	1,375
IL	444	1,849	1,050	5,831	9,174
KS*	89	935	601	2,491	4,116
KY	103	1,238	175	4,255	5,771
LA-RN	32	1,433	141	2,701	4,307
ME	87	403	109	1,235	1,834
MA	501	1,290	909	7,886	10,586
MD	246	733	68	3,712	4,759
MI	183	1,473		3,755	5,411
MN	273	1,695	545	3,450	5,963
MO	108	1,739	371	4,874	7,092
MP	4			14	18
NC	281	3,313	1,030	4,887	9,511
ND	18	337	49	630	1,034
NV	22	141		953	1,116
NH	102	152		690	944
OH	352	2,677	1,559	7,067	11,655
OR		592	204	2,929	3,725
PA			171	8,942	9,113

JD	CNM	CRNA	CNS	CNP	Total Active Licenses
	N	N	N	N	N
SD	32	422	74	602	1,130
TN	189	2,597	141	7,697	10,624
TX	420	4,115	1,403	12,331	18,269
UT	150	255		1,672	2,077
VT	60	62	44	455	621
VA			413	7,585	7,998
WA	404	875		4,876	6,155
WY	18	131	21	377	547
Total	5,546	35,558	10,254	125,603	176,961

*Kansas data based on fiscal year.

Abbreviation	Category	Active Licenses
		N
CNM	Certified Nurse Midwife	5,546
CRNA	Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist	35,558
CNS	Clinical Nurse Specialist	10,254
CNP	Certified Nurse Practitioner	125,603
Total		176,961

Figure 3 provides a review of the numbers of active licenses for the years 2003-2013. Unless noted otherwise, all numbers are calculated in terms of column totals.



PART II – NCLEX® EXAMINATION STATISTICS

Introduction

In 1982, NCSBN substantially revised the State Board Test Pool Examination (SBTPE). NCSBN changed the examination from a norm-referenced test to a criterion-referenced test, implemented a new test plan and used Rasch's (1960) one parameter logistic model to calibrate items and measure candidates' abilities. At that time, NCSBN renamed the examinations the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN®) and the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN®). However, these NCLEX® examinations were very different than the NCLEX examinations taken by candidates today. These examinations were only administered twice a year in a pencil-and-paper format; each administration lasted two days.

In 1986, the NCSBN Board of Directors (BOD) funded an initial investigation on the feasibility of using computerized adaptive testing (CAT) procedures. CAT held the promise of making examinations available year round, shortening examination length by only giving candidates items that were appropriate for their ability and providing greater security for the content of the items. On April 1, 1994, NCSBN began administering the NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN Examinations exclusively via CAT. This publication provides a detailed breakdown of candidate performance for 2012 and 2013, as well as historical data.

CAT

CAT is a method of administering examinations that combines the power and speed of current computer technology with modern measurement theory. With CAT, each candidate's test is unique; it is assembled interactively as the individual is tested. As the candidate answers each question, the computer calculates an ability estimate based on all earlier answers. The test administration software then identifies the content area for the next item. Next, the software scans through available items within the identified content area for an item that has a degree of difficulty sufficient to give the candidate approximately a 50 percent chance of answering it correctly. This item is selected and presented to the

candidate on the computer screen. This process is repeated for each item, creating an examination tailored to the individual's ability level, while fulfilling all NCLEX test plan requirements. The examination continues in this way until a pass-fail decision can be determined. Because the examination could end at any time after the minimum number of items has been answered, it is important that the test plan specifications are met throughout the entire test.

Setting the Passing Standard

To ensure a consistent standard of competence in nursing practice, NCSBN uses a criterion-referenced standard, which means that passing or failing depends solely upon a candidate's level of performance in relation to the established point that represents safe entry-level competence. There is no preassigned percentage of candidates that pass or fail each examination. Because the practice of nursing changes over time, it is necessary to re-evaluate the appropriateness of the passing standard from time to time. To ensure that the passing standards for the NCLEX-RN and NCLEX-PN examinations accurately reflects the knowledge, skills and abilities essential for entry-level nurse practice, NCSBN's BOD re-evaluates the passing standard every three years or when the test plan changes. In evaluating the passing standard, the BOD considers information from a variety of sources. Although there is no limit on the information it may consider, the BOD is typically presented with the following information:

1. The results of a standard-setting exercise undertaken by the panel of judges. Currently, this exercise consists of a modified Angoff procedure with additional statistical compromise procedures. A list of the members on the panel of judges and their qualifications is also included.
2. A historical record of the passing standard and annual summaries of candidate performance on the NCLEX examination since the implementation of the CAT methodology in 1994.
3. The results from the annual standard-setting survey, which solicits the opinions of employers

and educators regarding the competence of the current cohort of entry-level nurses.

4. Information detailing the educational readiness of high school graduates who expressed an interest in nursing.

In April 1998, the passing standard for the NCLEX-RN Examination increased from -0.42 logits to -0.35 logits. In April 2001, this standard was retained for another three years. In April 2004, the standard increased to -0.28 logits. In April 2007, the standard increased again to -0.21 logits. In April 2010, the standard increased to -0.16 logits. In April 2013, the standard increased to 0.00 logits.

The passing standard for the NCLEX-PN Examination has experienced a similar increase over time. In April 1999, the passing standard for the NCLEX-PN Examination increased from -0.51 logits to -0.47 logits. In April 2002, this standard was retained for another three years. In April 2005, the NCLEX-PN passing standard increased from -0.47 to -0.42 logits. In April 2008, the standard increased to -0.37 logits. In April 2011, the standard increased to -0.27 logits. It is important to note that the RN and PN standards are not directly comparable because they are based on different item pools and different scopes of practice.

Pass-Fail Decisions

Candidate performance on the NCLEX examinations is reported only as a pass-fail decision. Scores are never reported. As a result, almost all the statistics presented here are pass rates or statistics based upon a pass-fail decision.

To make pass-fail decisions, the computer seeks to determine with 95 percent certainty whether the candidate's true ability is above or below the passing standard. To do this, three pieces of information must be known: the current person ability estimate, the precision of that estimate and the passing standard. After the minimum number of items has been answered, the computer compares the candidate's ability level to the standard required for passing. Candidates clearly above the passing standard pass. Candidates clearly below the passing standard fail.

If the candidate's ability level is close enough to the passing standard that it is not clear which side of

the passing standard his or her ability falls, the computer continues asking items. As more items are answered, the candidate's ability estimate becomes more precise. After each item, the candidate's ability level is recomputed, using all of the information (answers to all the items asked) available at that point. When it becomes clear on which side of the passing standard the candidate's ability falls, the examination ends.

Some candidates' abilities are very close to the passing standard. For these candidates, all items in the item pool might not provide enough information to be certain their ability is truly above or below the passing standard. These are the candidates who take the maximum number of items. Once the maximum number of items is administered, the computer waives the 95% certainty requirement and makes a pass or fail decision based upon the candidate's final ability estimate. If the candidate's ability estimate is above the passing standard, the candidate passes. If not, he or she fails.

If an NCLEX examination ends because time runs out, then the computer does not have enough information to make a clear pass-fail decision; if it did, it already would have stopped administering items. However, when the response patterns of people who ran out of time were investigated, it was found that some had been performing consistently above the passing standard, and their ability level appeared to be above passing, although close to it. A mechanism is therefore provided for these candidates to pass. The key word here is "consistently." If a candidate's ability estimate has been consistently above the passing standard over the last 60 items, then he or she will pass, despite having run out of time.

PART II – 2012 NCLEX® EXAMINATION STATISTICS

Table 1. Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Type of Candidate¹

NCLEX-RN® Examination: Jan. 1 - Dec.31, 2012															
Type of Candidate	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
First-Time, U.S.-Educated															
Diploma	902	841	93.2	598	544	91.0	1,387	1,261	90.9	286	247	86.4	3,173	2,893	91.2
Associate Degree	21,638	19,495	90.1	28,398	26,086	91.9	27,606	24,260	87.9	6,875	5,652	82.2	84,517	75,493	89.3
Baccalaureate Degree	14,799	13,732	92.8	20,457	19,232	94.0	22,024	19,772	89.8	5,255	4,585	87.3	62,535	57,321	91.7
Special Program Codes	14	11	78.6	9	8	88.9	8	8	100.0	10	9	90.0	41	36	87.8
Total First-Time, U.S.-Educated	37,353	34,079	91.2	49,462	45,870	92.7	51,025	45,301	88.8	12,426	10,493	84.4	150,266	135,743	90.3
Repeat, U.S.-Educated	5,272	2,929	55.6	6,032	3,102	51.4	6,986	4,006	57.3	6,554	3,785	57.8	24,844	13,822	55.6
First-Time, Internationally Educated	1,875	696	37.1	2,017	697	34.6	1,907	717	37.6	1,965	731	37.2	7,764	2,841	36.6
Repeat, Internationally Educated	2,844	618	21.7	3,205	627	19.6	2,912	656	22.5	3,063	647	21.1	12,024	2,548	21.2
All Candidates	47,344	38,322	80.9	60,716	50,296	82.8	62,830	50,680	80.7	24,008	15,656	65.2	194,898	154,954	79.5

¹ Performance of RN Educational Programs. The following is a summary of the 2012 NCLEX pass rates for U.S. RN education programs based upon first-time candidate performance: In 2012, 2,042 US RN programs had at least one first-time candidate. The mean pass rate for those programs was 89.4% (SD 12.8%). When including only those programs with at least 10 first-time examinees (N=1,912) the mean pass rate was 90.1% (SD 9.6%).

Table 2. Summary Statistics for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

NCLEX-RN®	January - December 2012
Passing Standard ¹	-0.16 logits
Estimated Decision Consistency ²	0.92
Average Test Length ³	113 items
Percent of Candidates Taking the Minimum Number of Items	55.7%
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Number of Items	11.0%
Average Testing Time ⁴	2 hours, 13 minutes
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Amount of Time	1.1%

1 The NCLEX-RN passing standard scale uses logits as the unit of measurement. Logits is short for log-odds-units. These units have no inherent meaning with regard to nursing content and in fact have an arbitrary zero point, but logits are practical because the probability of a correct response can easily be computed when the candidate's ability and the item's difficulty are known. Typically, the logit range on the NCLEX-RN scale is from -2.00 (easy items or low ability candidates) to 2.00 (difficult items or high ability candidates).

2 Estimated decision consistency is an indicator of reliability. Conceptually, it is the proportion of pass-fail decisions that would remain the same if the same population were retested immediately after their first test (assuming no learning or fatigue effects) using a different set of items.

3 NCLEX-RN Examinations consist of 75 to 265 items.

4 The standard amount of allotted testing time for the NCLEX-RN Examination is six hours.

Table 3. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			357	333	93.3	425	376	88.5	782	709	90.7
ALASKA	0			31	29	93.6	46	44	95.7	77	73	94.8
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			3	1	33.3	3	1	33.3
ARIZONA	0			294	285	96.9	678	635	93.7	972	920	94.7
ARKANSAS	78	71	91.0	116	103	88.8	410	355	86.6	604	529	87.6
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1266	1,160	91.6	1988	1,838	92.5	3,254	2,998	92.1
COLORADO	0			311	297	95.5	255	237	92.9	566	534	94.3
CONNECTICUT	119	115	96.6	68	65	95.6	137	113	82.5	324	293	90.4
DELAWARE	0			19	18	94.7	124	111	89.5	143	129	90.2
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			87	72	82.8	20	18	90.0	107	90	84.1
FLORIDA	0			500	465	93.0	1989	1,726	86.8	2,489	2,191	88.0
GEORGIA – RN	0			454	431	94.9	450	409	90.9	904	840	92.9
GUAM	0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
HAWAII	0			130	107	82.3	63	59	93.7	193	166	86.0
IDAHO	0			110	100	90.9	138	127	92.0	248	227	91.5
ILLINOIS	0			725	664	91.6	716	655	91.5	1,441	1,319	91.5
INDIANA	5	3	60.0	409	380	92.9	502	428	85.3	916	811	88.5
IOWA	0			84	74	88.1	396	347	87.6	480	421	87.7
KANSAS	0			122	110	90.2	277	227	82.0	399	337	84.5
KENTUCKY	0			295	280	94.9	520	477	91.7	815	757	92.9
LOUISIANA – RN	30	30	100.0	494	472	95.6	447	409	91.5	971	911	93.8
MAINE	0			62	54	87.1	31	30	96.8	93	84	90.3
MARYLAND	0			277	255	92.1	581	530	91.2	858	785	91.5

Table 3. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MASSACHUSETTS	0			416	390	93.8	322	302	93.8	738	692	93.8
MICHIGAN	0			647	610	94.3	588	556	94.6	1,235	1,166	94.4
MINNESOTA	0			273	263	96.3	554	479	86.5	827	742	89.7
MISSISSIPPI	0			157	139	88.5	288	261	90.6	445	400	89.9
MISSOURI	3	3	100.0	409	391	95.6	493	459	93.1	905	853	94.3
MONTANA	0			79	73	92.4	57	52	91.2	136	125	91.9
NEBRASKA	0			271	258	95.2	15	15	100.0	286	273	95.5
NEVADA	0			149	141	94.6	118	110	93.2	267	251	94.0
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			51	50	98.0	2	1	50.0	53	51	96.2
NEW JERSEY	222	205	92.3	153	106	69.3	312	277	88.8	687	588	85.6
NEW MEXICO	0			80	77	96.3	242	206	85.1	322	283	87.9
NEW YORK	1	1	100.0	555	503	90.6	1325	1,179	89.0	1,881	1,683	89.5
NORTH CAROLINA	62	60	96.8	406	378	93.1	359	337	93.9	827	775	93.7
NORTH DAKOTA	0			71	62	87.3	0			71	62	87.3
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			3	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
OHIO	11	4	36.4	427	374	87.6	1291	1,178	91.3	1,729	1,556	90.0
OKLAHOMA	0			74	69	93.2	314	290	92.4	388	359	92.5
OREGON	0			88	81	92.1	3	3	100.0	91	84	92.3
PENNSYLVANIA	227	207	91.2	457	427	93.4	610	540	88.5	1,294	1,174	90.7
RHODE ISLAND	0			110	105	95.5	91	81	89.0	201	186	92.5
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			225	207	92.0	338	316	93.5	563	523	92.9
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			100	90	90.0	46	38	82.6	146	128	87.7
TENNESSEE	0			563	539	95.7	421	394	93.6	984	933	94.8
TEXAS	62	62	100.0	1,551	1,471	94.8	1,810	1595	88.1	3,423	3,128	91.4
UTAH	0			86	86	100.0	316	286	90.5	402	372	92.5
VERMONT	0			1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	4	2	50.0
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
VIRGINIA	82	80	97.6	455	427	93.9	296	263	88.9	833	770	92.4
WASHINGTON	0			191	172	90.1	338	304	89.9	529	476	90.0
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			125	98	78.4	131	120	91.6	256	218	85.2
WISCONSIN	0			417	389	93.3	704	660	93.8	1,121	1,049	93.6
WYOMING	0			0			51	40	78.4	51	40	78.4
TOTAL	902	841	93.2	14,799	13,732	92.8	21,638	19,495	90.1	37,339	34,068	91.2

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 4. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (April 1 - June 30, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			408	375	91.9	917	835	91.1	1,325	1,210	91.3
ALASKA	0			30	28	93.3	30	27	90.0	60	55	91.7
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			235	224	95.3	702	666	94.9	937	890	95.0
ARKANSAS	3	2	66.7	230	222	96.5	189	163	86.2	422	387	91.7
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1,220	1,100	90.2	1,485	1,351	91.0	2,705	2,451	90.6
COLORADO	0			219	205	93.6	301	288	95.7	520	493	94.8
CONNECTICUT	45	43	95.6	153	149	97.4	109	93	85.3	307	285	92.8
DELAWARE	16	16	100.0	60	44	73.3	78	73	93.6	154	133	86.4
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			86	78	90.7	25	18	72.0	111	96	86.5
FLORIDA	0			726	692	95.3	2,040	1,775	87.0	2,766	2,467	89.2
GEORGIA – RN	0			868	825	95.1	885	831	93.9	1,753	1,656	94.5
GUAM	0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
HAWAII	0			78	62	79.5	32	32	100.0	110	94	85.5
IDAHO	0			142	132	93.0	145	128	88.3	287	260	90.6
ILLINOIS	27	23	85.2	1,147	1,078	94.0	1,013	945	93.3	2,187	2,046	93.6
INDIANA	19	16	84.2	758	731	96.4	848	755	89.0	1,625	1,502	92.4
IOWA	0			285	274	96.1	419	395	94.3	704	669	95.0
KANSAS	0			452	430	95.1	637	563	88.4	1,089	993	91.2
KENTUCKY	0			429	406	94.6	888	823	92.7	1,317	1,229	93.3
LOUISIANA – RN	0			275	259	94.2	264	247	93.6	539	506	93.9
MAINE	0			210	193	91.9	239	222	92.9	449	415	92.4
MARYLAND	0			299	272	91.0	434	403	92.9	733	675	92.1
MASSACHUSETTS	50	48	96.0	424	398	93.9	361	335	92.8	835	781	93.5
MICHIGAN	0			558	531	95.2	975	914	93.7	1,533	1,445	94.3
MINNESOTA	0			585	551	94.2	1,060	968	91.3	1,645	1,519	92.3
MISSISSIPPI	0			270	255	94.4	862	796	92.3	1,132	1,051	92.8
MISSOURI	6	6	100.0	689	666	96.7	471	454	96.4	1,166	1,126	96.6
MONTANA	0			112	109	97.3	83	80	96.4	195	189	96.9
NEBRASKA	0			527	499	94.7	208	195	93.8	735	694	94.4
NEVADA	0			176	168	95.5	110	103	93.6	286	271	94.8
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			102	101	99.0	326	305	93.6	428	406	94.9
NEW JERSEY	73	64	87.7	83	60	72.3	162	133	82.1	318	257	80.8
NEW MEXICO	0			45	41	91.1	193	176	91.2	238	217	91.2
NEW YORK	0			552	489	88.6	1,430	1,238	86.6	1,982	1,727	87.1
NORTH CAROLINA	38	37	97.4	715	692	96.8	1,678	1,589	94.7	2,431	2,318	95.4
NORTH DAKOTA	0			247	230	93.1	77	75	97.4	324	305	94.1
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			0			0		
OHIO	93	77	82.8	996	927	93.1	1,153	1,031	89.4	2,242	2,035	90.8
OKLAHOMA	0			368	352	95.7	591	552	93.4	959	904	94.3

Table 4. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (April 1 - June 30, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			262	245	93.5	17	17	100.0	279	262	93.9
PENNSYLVANIA	106	97	91.5	920	880	95.7	965	895	92.8	1,991	1,872	94.0
RHODE ISLAND	1	1	100.0	32	29	90.6	39	37	94.9	72	67	93.1
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			605	561	92.7	551	532	96.6	1,156	1,093	94.6
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			233	221	94.9	184	167	90.8	417	388	93.0
TENNESSEE	0			759	730	96.2	708	681	96.2	1,467	1,411	96.2
TEXAS	3	3	100.0	1,260	1,188	94.3	2,059	1,906	92.6	3,322	3,097	93.2
UTAH	0			194	189	97.4	490	446	91.0	684	635	92.8
VERMONT	0			51	50	98.0	152	139	91.5	203	189	93.1
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
VIRGINIA	118	111	94.1	494	464	93.9	691	641	92.8	1,303	1,216	93.3
WASHINGTON	0			188	183	97.3	320	305	95.3	508	488	96.1
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			202	185	91.6	238	220	92.4	440	405	92.0
WISCONSIN	0			469	432	92.1	457	420	91.9	926	852	92.0
WYOMING	0			28	26	92.9	106	102	96.2	134	128	95.5
TOTAL	598	544	91.0	20,457	19,232	94.0	28,398	26,086	91.9	49,453	45,862	92.7

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 5. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			561	512	91.3	507	441	87.0	1,068	953	89.2
ALASKA	0			18	16	88.9	17	13	76.5	35	29	82.9
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			329	308	93.6	390	352	90.3	719	660	91.8
ARKANSAS	124	107	86.3	282	251	89.0	230	195	84.8	636	553	86.9
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1,389	1,229	88.5	2,086	1,883	90.3	3,475	3,112	89.6
COLORADO	0			415	375	90.4	260	225	86.5	675	600	88.9
CONNECTICUT	5	4	80.0	418	396	94.7	395	361	91.4	818	761	93.0
DELAWARE	2	2	100.0	127	109	85.8	87	74	85.1	216	185	85.6
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			108	90	83.3	26	15	57.7	134	105	78.4
FLORIDA	0			1,052	975	92.7	1,968	1,583	80.4	3,020	2,558	84.7
GEORGIA – RN	0			437	391	89.5	380	337	88.7	817	728	89.1
GUAM	0			3	3	100.0	15	15	100.0	18	18	100.0
HAWAII	0			147	111	75.5	77	63	81.8	224	174	77.7
IDAHO	0			53	47	88.7	123	102	82.9	176	149	84.7
ILLINOIS	0			885	786	88.8	1,188	1,059	89.1	2,073	1,845	89.0
INDIANA	45	35	77.8	627	582	92.8	656	556	84.8	1,328	1,173	88.3
IOWA	0			201	179	89.1	577	509	88.2	778	688	88.4
KANSAS	0			114	90	79.0	131	96	73.3	245	186	75.9
KENTUCKY	0			204	193	94.6	307	264	86.0	511	457	89.4
LOUISIANA – RN	0			404	376	93.1	239	222	92.9	643	598	93.0
MAINE	0			74	60	81.1	41	34	82.9	115	94	81.7
MARYLAND	0			566	472	83.4	610	560	91.8	1,176	1,032	87.8
MASSACHUSETTS	44	39	88.6	978	898	91.8	789	675	85.6	1,811	1,612	89.0
MICHIGAN	0			615	558	90.7	1,051	925	88.0	1,666	1,483	89.0
MINNESOTA	0			331	281	84.9	352	264	75.0	683	545	79.8
MISSISSIPPI	0			90	84	93.3	94	81	86.2	184	165	89.7
MISSOURI	13	12	92.3	683	622	91.1	537	480	89.4	1,233	1,114	90.3
MONTANA	0			44	37	84.1	98	85	86.7	142	122	85.9
NEBRASKA	0			196	175	89.3	119	105	88.2	315	280	88.9
NEVADA	0			106	99	93.4	179	170	95.0	285	269	94.4
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			68	65	95.6	128	118	92.2	196	183	93.4
NEW JERSEY	244	222	91.0	666	556	83.5	696	660	94.8	1,606	1,438	89.5
NEW MEXICO	0			40	36	90.0	339	281	82.9	379	317	83.6
NEW YORK	15	13	86.7	1,839	1,594	86.7	3,010	2,626	87.2	4,864	4,233	87.0
NORTH CAROLINA	44	40	90.9	189	167	88.4	282	251	89.0	515	458	88.9
NORTH DAKOTA	0			39	34	87.2	28	25	89.3	67	59	88.1
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			0			0		
OHIO	70	59	84.3	1,241	1,125	90.7	1,980	1,795	90.7	3,291	2,979	90.5
OKLAHOMA	0			374	345	92.3	337	287	85.2	711	632	88.9

Table 5. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			299	280	93.7	492	492	95.3	791	772	97.6
PENNSYLVANIA	616	573	93.0	1,621	1,482	91.4	1,249	1,079	86.4	3,486	3,134	89.9
RHODE ISLAND	34	32	94.1	185	163	88.1	153	150	98.0	372	345	92.7
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			107	91	85.1	331	312	94.3	438	403	92.0
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			82	78	95.1	88	71	80.7	170	149	87.6
TENNESSEE	0			576	504	87.5	346	315	91.0	922	819	88.8
TEXAS	63	60	95.2	1,351	1,238	91.6	1,792	1,552	86.6	3,206	2,850	88.9
UTAH	0			93	90	96.8	259	227	87.6	352	317	90.1
VERMONT	0			55	48	87.3	66	53	80.3	121	101	83.5
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			5	4	80.0	5	5	100.0	10	9	90.0
VIRGINIA	68	63	92.7	500	442	88.4	789	682	86.4	1,357	1,187	87.5
WASHINGTON	0			455	423	93.0	910	840	92.3	1,365	1,263	92.5
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			160	140	87.5	175	155	88.6	335	295	88.1
WISCONSIN	0			587	529	90.1	514	469	91.3	1,101	998	90.6
WYOMING	0			35	33	94.3	108	94	87.0	143	127	88.8
TOTAL	1,387	1,261	90.9	22,024	19,772	89.8	27,606	24,260	87.9	51,017	45,293	88.8

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 6. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			93	85	91.4	134	118	88.1	227	203	89.4
ALASKA	0			28	25	89.3	2	1	50.0	30	26	86.7
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			110	104	94.6	53	50	94.3	163	154	94.5
ARKANSAS	2	2	100.0	25	23	92.0	64	62	96.9	91	87	95.6
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			783	670	85.6	523	428	81.8	1,306	1,098	84.1
COLORADO	0			131	120	91.6	74	65	87.8	205	185	90.2
CONNECTICUT	1	0	0.0	63	56	88.9	71	61	85.9	135	117	86.7
DELAWARE	0			9	6	66.7	11	8	72.7	20	14	70.0
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			8	5	62.5	7	3	42.9	15	8	53.3
FLORIDA	0			195	173	88.7	1448	1099	75.9	1,643	1,272	77.4
GEORGIA – RN	0			54	50	92.6	82	75	91.5	136	125	91.9
GUAM	0			1	1	100.0	7	5	71.4	8	6	75.0
HAWAII	0			62	52	83.9	5	3	60.0	67	55	82.1
IDAHO	0			7	5	71.4	36	28	77.8	43	33	76.7
ILLINOIS	0			228	209	91.7	147	106	72.1	375	315	84.0
INDIANA	1	1	100.0	111	102	91.9	221	161	72.9	333	264	79.3
IOWA	0			26	24	92.3	132	111	84.1	158	135	85.4
KANSAS	0			122	115	94.3	81	66	81.5	203	181	89.2
KENTUCKY	0			21	16	76.2	159	137	86.2	180	153	85.0
LOUISIANA – RN	0			35	25	71.4	54	47	87.0	89	72	80.9
MAINE	0			29	26	89.7	4	4	100.0	33	30	90.9
MARYLAND	0			63	42	66.7	87	70	80.5	150	112	74.7
MASSACHUSETTS	1	1	100.0	74	63	85.1	58	43	74.1	133	107	80.5
MICHIGAN	0			337	301	89.3	214	187	87.4	551	488	88.6
MINNESOTA	0			41	23	56.1	54	42	77.8	95	65	68.4
MISSISSIPPI	0			5	4	80.0	19	16	84.2	24	20	83.3
MISSOURI	22	22	100.0	235	218	92.8	47	38	80.9	304	278	91.4
MONTANA	0			7	7	100.0	22	21	95.5	29	28	96.6
NEBRASKA	0			39	36	92.3	65	58	89.2	104	94	90.4
NEVADA	0			44	41	93.2	41	39	95.1	85	80	94.1
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			1	1	100.0	13	7	53.9	14	8	57.1
NEW JERSEY	52	41	78.9	308	263	85.4	171	144	84.2	531	448	84.4
NEW MEXICO	0			2	2	100.0	136	116	85.3	138	118	85.5
NEW YORK	0			283	241	85.2	578	472	81.7	861	713	82.8
NORTH CAROLINA	1	1	100.0	39	38	97.4	24	19	79.2	64	58	90.6
NORTH DAKOTA	0			4	4	100.0	1	1	100.0	5	5	100.0
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			8	3	37.5	8	3	37.5
OHIO	13	7	53.9	375	312	83.2	720	632	87.8	1,108	951	85.8
OKLAHOMA	0			34	24	70.6	80	67	83.8	114	91	79.8

Table 6. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			61	57	93.4	46	45	97.8	107	102	95.3
PENNSYLVANIA	168	149	88.7	291	259	89.0	123	96	78.1	582	504	86.6
RHODE ISLAND	0			13	10	76.9	24	22	91.7	37	32	86.5
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			59	47	79.7	119	114	95.8	178	161	90.4
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			36	31	86.1	15	11	73.3	51	42	82.4
TENNESSEE	0			147	134	91.2	12	7	58.3	159	141	88.7
TEXAS	1	1	100.0	272	238	87.5	337	274	81.3	610	513	84.1
UTAH	0			14	14	100.0	104	89	85.6	118	103	87.3
VERMONT	0			5	4	80.0	4	4	100.0	9	8	88.9
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			2	1	50.0	4	4	100.0	6	5	83.3
VIRGINIA	24	22	91.7	124	102	82.3	237	208	87.8	385	332	86.2
WASHINGTON	0			43	41	95.4	114	98	86.0	157	139	88.5
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			49	42	85.7	16	14	87.5	65	56	86.2
WISCONSIN	0			94	83	88.3	62	49	79.0	156	132	84.6
WYOMING	0			13	10	76.9	5	4	80.0	18	14	77.8
Total	286	247	86.4	5255	4585	87.3	6875	5652	82.2	12,416	10,484	84.4

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 7. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			RN-Special Program Codes			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			1,419	1,305	92.0	1,983	1,770	89.3	0			3,402	3,075	90.4
ALASKA	0			107	98	91.6	95	85	89.5	0			202	183	90.6
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			3	1	33.3	0			3	1	66.7
ARIZONA	0			968	921	95.1	1,823	1,703	93.4	0			2,791	2,624	94.0
ARKANSAS	207	182	87.9	653	599	91.7	893	775	86.8	0			1,753	1,556	88.8
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			4,658	4,159	89.3	6,082	5,500	90.4	18	17	94.4	10,758	9,676	89.9
COLORADO	0			1,076	997	92.7	890	815	91.6	1	0	0.0	1,967	1,812	92.1
CONNECTICUT	170	162	95.3	702	666	94.9	712	628	88.2	0			1,584	1,456	91.9
DELAWARE	18	18	100.0	215	177	82.3	300	266	88.7	0			533	461	86.5
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			289	245	84.8	78	54	69.2	0			367	299	81.5
FLORIDA	0			2,473	2,305	93.2	7,445	6,183	83.0	0			9,918	8,488	85.6
GEORGIA – RN	0			1,813	1,697	93.6	1,797	1,652	91.9	0			3,610	3,349	92.8
GUAM	0			6	6	100.0	22	20	90.9	0			28	26	92.9
HAWAII	0			417	332	79.6	177	157	88.7	0			594	489	82.3
IDAHO	0			312	284	91.0	442	385	87.1	0			754	669	88.7
ILLINOIS	27	23	85.2	2,985	2,737	91.7	3,064	2,765	90.2	1	0	0.0	6,077	5,525	90.9
INDIANA	70	55	78.6	1,905	1,795	94.2	2,227	1,900	85.3	0			4,202	3,750	89.2
IOWA	0			596	551	92.4	1,524	1,362	89.4	0			2,120	1,913	90.2
KANSAS	0			810	745	92.0	1,126	952	84.5	0			1,936	1,697	87.7
KENTUCKY	0			949	895	94.3	1,874	1,701	90.8	0			2,823	2,596	92.0
LOUISIANA – RN	30	30	100.0	1,208	1,132	93.7	1,004	925	92.1	0			2,242	2,087	93.1
MAINE	0			375	333	88.8	315	290	92.1	0			690	623	90.3
MARYLAND	0			1,205	1,041	86.4	1,712	1,563	91.3	0			2,917	2,604	89.3
MASSACHUSETTS	95	88	92.6	1,892	1,749	92.4	1,530	1,355	88.6	0			3,517	3,192	90.8
MICHIGAN	0			2,157	2,000	92.7	2,828	2,582	91.3	1	1	100.0	4,986	4,583	91.9
MINNESOTA	0			1,230	1,118	90.9	2,020	1,753	86.8	0			3,250	2,871	88.3
MISSISSIPPI	0			522	482	92.3	1,263	1,154	91.4	1	1	100.0	1,786	1,637	91.7
MISSOURI	44	43	97.7	2,016	1,897	94.1	1,548	1,431	92.4	0			3,608	3,371	93.4

Table 7. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			RN-Special Program Codes			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MONTANA	0			242	226	93.4	260	238	91.5	0			502	464	92.4
NEBRASKA	0			1,033	968	93.7	407	373	91.6	0			1,440	1,341	93.1
NEVADA	0			475	449	94.5	448	422	94.2	0			923	871	94.4
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			222	217	97.7	469	431	91.9	8	8	100.0	699	656	93.8
NEW JERSEY	591	532	90.0	1,210	985	81.4	1,341	1,214	90.5	0			3,142	2,731	86.9
NEW MEXICO	0			167	156	93.4	910	779	85.6	0			1,077	935	86.8
NEW YORK	16	14	87.5	3,229	2,827	87.6	6,343	5,515	86.9	2	0	0.0	9,590	8,356	87.1
NORTH CAROLINA	145	138	95.2	1,349	1,275	94.5	2,343	2,196	93.7	0			3,837	3,609	94.1
NORTH DAKOTA	0			361	330	91.4	106	101	95.3	0			467	431	92.3
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			11	3	27.3	0			11	3	27.3
OHIO	187	147	78.6	3,039	2,738	90.1	5,144	4,636	90.1	0			8,370	7,521	89.9
OKLAHOMA	0			850	790	92.9	1,322	1,196	90.5	4	4	100.0	2,176	1,990	91.5
OREGON	0			710	663	93.4	558	557	99.8	0			1,268	1,220	96.2
PENNSYLVANIA	1,117	1,026	91.9	3,289	3,048	92.7	2,947	2,610	88.6	3	3	100.0	7,356	6,687	90.9
RHODE ISLAND	35	33	94.3	340	307	90.3	307	290	94.5	0			682	630	92.4
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			996	906	91.0	1,339	1,274	95.1	2	2	100.0	2,337	2,182	93.4
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			451	420	93.1	333	287	86.2	0			784	707	90.2
TENNESSEE	0			2,045	1,907	93.3	1,487	1,397	93.9	0			3,532	3,304	93.5
TEXAS	129	126	97.7	4,434	4,135	93.3	5,998	5,327	88.8	0			10,561	9,588	90.8
UTAH	0			387	379	97.9	1,169	1,048	89.6	0			1,556	1,427	91.7
VERMONT	0			112	103	92.0	225	197	87.6	0			337	300	89.0
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			7	5	71.4	11	10	90.9	0			18	15	83.3
VIRGINIA	292	276	94.5	1,573	1,435	91.2	2,013	1,794	89.1	0			3,878	3,505	90.4
WASHINGTON	0			877	819	93.4	1,682	1,547	92.0	0			2,559	2,366	92.5
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			536	465	86.8	560	509	90.9	0			1,096	974	88.9
WISCONSIN	0			1,567	1,433	91.4	1,737	1,598	92.0	0			3,304	3,031	91.7
WYOMING	0			76	69	90.8	270	240	88.9	0			346	309	89.3
TOTAL	3,173	2,893	91	62,535	57,321	92	84,517	75,493	89	41	36	87.8	150,266	135,743	90.3

Table 8. First-Time, Internationally Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Country of Education (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Country of Education	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012			Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALBANIA	0			6	1	16.7	3	1	33.3	0			9	2	22.2
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	5	1	20.0	8	2	25.0
ARGENTINA	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	5	1	20.0
ARMENIA	4	1	25.0	15	5	33.3	8	2	25.0	17	3	17.6	44	11	25.0
AUSTRALIA	11	6	54.5	9	5	55.6	8	6	75.0	12	8	66.7	40	25	62.5
AUSTRIA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
AZERBAIJAN	2	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
BAHAMAS	2	1	50.0	0			2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	5	2	40.0
BAHRAIN	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
BANGLADESH	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
BARBADOS	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
BELARUS	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	4	1	25.0	4	1	25.0	11	3	27.3
BELGIUM	0			1	1	100.0	0			1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0
BELIZE	2	1	50.0	0			0			0			2	1	50.0
BENIN	0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	0			0			3	0	0.0
BOTSWANA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
BRAZIL	3	1	33.3	3	0	0.0	8	2	25.0	4	0	0.0	18	3	16.7
BULGARIA	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	4	2	50.0
BURKINA FASO	0			1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
CAMEROON	12	4	33.3	7	2	28.6	17	1	5.9	9	2	22.2	45	9	20.0
CANADA	125	89	71.2	137	87	63.5	147	108	73.5	144	103	71.5	553	387	70.0
CHAD	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
CHILE	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	3	2	66.7
CHINA	49	17	34.7	35	7	20.0	36	10	27.8	28	10	35.7	148	44	29.7
COLOMBIA	5	2	40.0	10	4	40.0	6	4	66.7	8	2	25.0	29	12	41.4
COSTA RICA	0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0

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Country of Education	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012			Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
CUBA	20	7	35.0	26	7	26.9	28	7	25.0	37	7	18.9	111	28	25.2
CZECH REPUBLIC	0			0			0			3	3	100.0	3	3	100.0
DENMARK	0			2	2	100.0	0			2	1	50.0	4	3	75.0
DOMINICA	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	0			1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	0			4	0	0.0
ECUADOR	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
EGYPT	0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	6	2	33.3
EL SALVADOR	3	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	6	0	0.0
ERITREA	5	3	60.0	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	9	7	77.8
ETHIOPIA	8	4	50.0	15	2	13.3	13	6	46.2	10	3	30.0	46	15	32.6
FIJI	1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
FINLAND	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			4	3	75.0
FRANCE	2	1	50.0	2	2	100.0	4	2	50.0	2	1	50.0	10	6	60.0
GABON	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
GAMBIA	1	0	0.0	5	2	40.0	5	4	80.0	3	0	0.0	14	6	42.9
GEORGIA	3	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	0			7	1	14.3
GERMANY	4	4	100.0	6	4	66.7	3	2	66.7	7	2	28.6	20	12	60.0
GHANA	17	6	35.3	15	6	40.0	18	6	33.3	18	5	27.8	68	23	33.8
GREECE	0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
GRENADA	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	5	1	20.0
GUATEMALA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
GUINEA	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
GUYANA	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	4	1	25.0
HAITI	17	0	0.0	16	3	18.8	20	3	15.0	26	3	11.5	79	9	11.4
HONG KONG	0			2	2	100.0	2	1	50.0	0			4	3	75.0
HUNGARY	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			3	0	0.0	5	1	20.0
INDIA	209	50	23.9	203	43	21.2	236	61	25.8	249	58	23.3	897	212	23.6
INDONESIA	1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0

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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
IRAN	0			0			9	2	22.2	6	3	50.0	15	5	33.3
IRAN, ISLAMIC REPUBLIC OF	10	5	50.0	10	6	60.0	0			0			20	11	55.0
IRELAND	0			3	2	66.7	0			4	3	75.0	7	5	71.4
ISRAEL	7	4	57.1	6	4	66.7	6	3	50.0	3	2	66.7	22	13	59.1
ITALY	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	6	3	50.0
JAMAICA	12	3	25.0	29	12	41.4	14	1	7.1	11	3	27.3	66	19	28.8
JAPAN	12	5	41.7	19	9	47.4	14	4	28.6	10	2	20.0	55	20	36.4
JORDAN	9	3	33.3	7	2	28.6	8	3	37.5	14	2	14.3	38	10	26.3
KAZAKHSTAN	1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	7	3	42.9
KENYA	13	7	53.8	9	4	44.4	10	4	40	11	7	63.6	43	22	51.2
KOREA, NORTH	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
KOREA, SOUTH	114	59	51.8	121	46	38.0	89	49	55.1	102	43	42.2	426	197	46.2
KUWAIT	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
KYRGYZSTAN	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
LATVIA	0			3	1	33.3	0			0			3	1	33.3
LEBANON	5	4	80.0	4	1	25.0	2	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	13	6	46.2
LIBERIA	5	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	5	1	20.0	15	1	6.7
LITHUANIA	1	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	0			2	1	50.0
MACEDONIA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
MACEDONIA, FORMER YUGOSLAV REPUBLIC OF	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	0			0			3	0	0.0
MALAWI	1	1	100.0	0			0			0			1	1	100.0
MALAYSIA	2	1	50.0	0			0			0			2	1	50.0
MALTA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
MARSHALL ISLANDS	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
MEXICO	20	11	55.0	15	2	13.3	8	0	0.0	10	2	20.0	53	15	28.3
MOLDOVA	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
MOLDOVA, REPUBLIC OF	3	0	0.0	0			0			0			3	0	0.0
MONGOLIA	0			0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	3	0	0.0

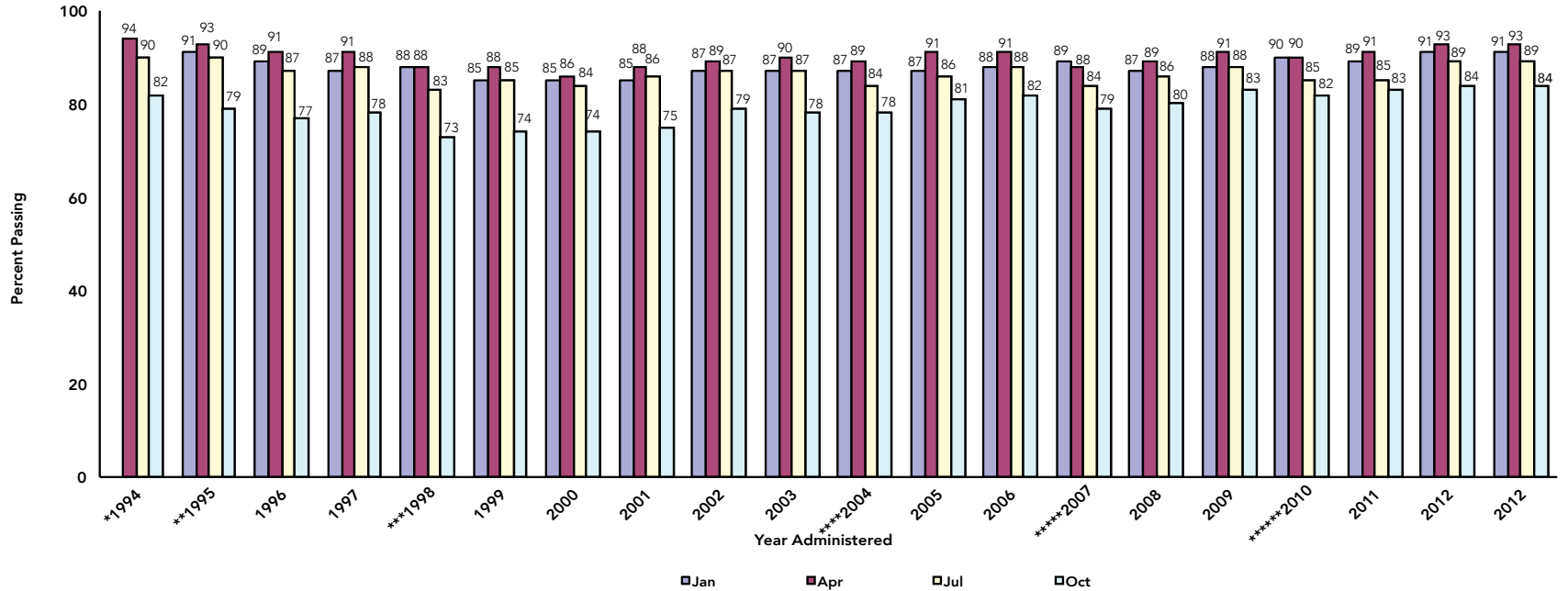
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Country of Education	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012			Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MYANMAR	1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	3	3	100.0
NEPAL	16	7	43.8	28	8	28.6	35	15	42.9	32	18	56.3	111	48	43.2
NETHERLANDS	2	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	4	1	25.0
NEW ZEALAND	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	8	2	25.0
NICARAGUA	2	0	0.0	0			0			0			2	0	0.0
NIGERIA	46	12	26.1	41	15	36.6	59	20	33.9	44	9	20.5	190	56	29.5
NORWAY	2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0	1	1	100.0	0			5	3	60.0
OMAN	2	2	100.0	6	5	83.3	0			1	0	0.0	9	7	77.8
PAKISTAN	7	2	28.6	12	4	33.3	6	2	33.3	3	3	100.0	28	11	39.3
PALESTINIAN TERRITORY, OCCUPIED	0			0			2	1	50.0	0			2	1	50.0
PANAMA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
PERU	5	2	40.0	4	1	25.0	4	1	25.0	5	0	0.0	18	4	22.2
PHILIPPINES	811	281	34.6	857	276	32.2	787	293	37.2	858	333	38.8	3,313	1,183	35.7
POLAND	5	2	40.0	8	4	50.0	7	3	42.9	4	1	25.0	24	10	41.7
PORTUGAL	2	2	100.0	0			2	1	50.0	3	3	100.0	7	6	85.7
PUERTO RICO	100	39	39.0	107	30	28.0	90	23	25.6	88	31	35.2	385	123	31.9
ROMANIA	5	1	20.0	10	3	30.0	8	2	25.0	4	1	25.0	27	7	25.9
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	27	6	22.2	27	14	51.9	29	12	41.4	25	8	32.0	108	40	37.0
RWANDA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
SAINT LUCIA	0			1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0	0			3	2	66.7
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
SAUDI ARABIA	6	0	0.0	6	1	16.7	5	3	60.0	3	0	0.0	20	4	20.0
SERBIA	0			2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	4	1	25.0
SIERRA LEONE	7	1	14.3	4	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	14	1	7.1
SINGAPORE	3	2	66.7	3	1	33.3	4	2	50.0	1	1	100.0	11	6	54.5
SLOVAKIA	0			1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	0			4	2	50.0
SOUTH AFRICA	2	1	50.0	4	3	75.0	2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0	10	6	60.0

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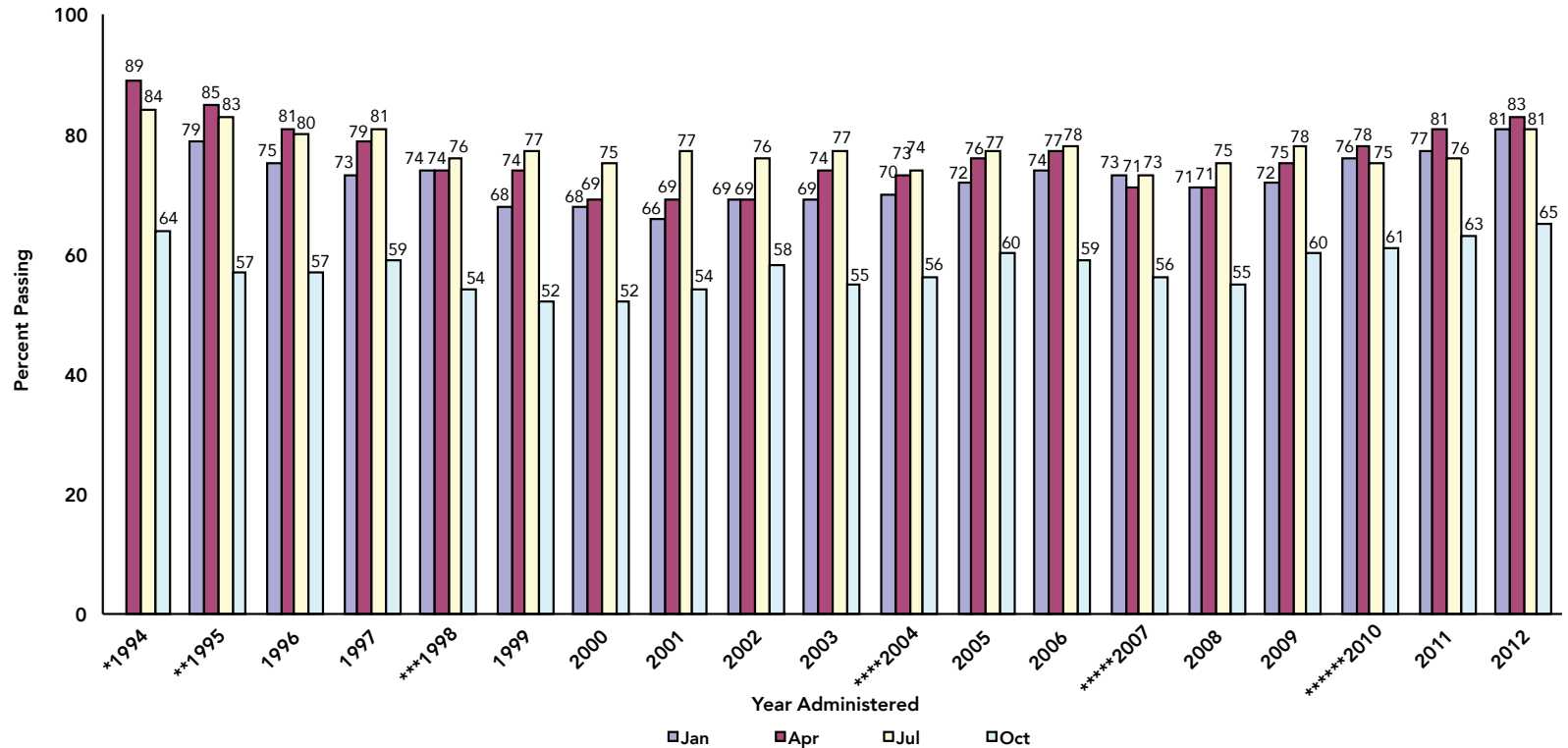
Country of Education	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2012			Apr. 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
SPAIN	3	3	100.0	3	3	100.0	4	3	75.0	1	1	100.0	11	10	90.9
SRI LANKA	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	0			0			3	1	33.3
SWEDEN	3	1	33.3	4	1	25.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	9	3	33.3
SWITZERLAND	0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
TAIWAN	24	8	33.3	19	7	36.8	17	7	41.2	18	6	33.3	78	28	35.9
TAJIKISTAN	0			1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	1	50.0
TANZANIA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
THAILAND	7	1	14.3	13	2	15.4	9	4	44.4	6	1	16.7	35	8	22.9
TOGO	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	4	1	25.0
TURKEY	2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0	7.0	1.0	14.3
TURKMENISTAN	0			0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0
UGANDA	2	0	0.0	4	1	25.0	0			4	1	25.0	10	2	20.0
UKRAINE	10	5	50.0	21	7	33.3	25	7	28.0	14	3	21.4	70	22	31.4
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
UNITED KINGDOM	18	10	55.6	20	8	40.0	21	8	38.1	20	9	45.0	79	35	44.3
URUGUAY	0			0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
UZBEKISTAN	13	0	0.0	9	1	11.1	10	0	0.0	11	2	18.2	43	3	7.0
VENEZUELA	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	0			1	0	0.0	4	3	75.0
VIET NAM	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
ZAMBIA	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	5	1	20.0
ZIMBABWE	0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7
TOTAL	1,875	696	37.1	2,017	697	34.6	1,907	717	37.6	1,965	731	37.2	7,764	2,841	36.6

Figure 1. NCLEX-RN® Pass Rates for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates



*Apr 1994 Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) begins. Passing Standard -0.4766 logits.
 **Oct 1995 Passing Standard changed from -0.4766 to -0.42 logits.
 ***Apr 1998 Passing Standard changed from -0.42 to -0.35 logits.
 ****Apr 2004 Passing Standard changed from -0.35 to -0.28 logits.
 *****Apr 2007 Passing Standard changed from -0.28 to -0.21 logits.
 *****Apr 2010 Passing Standard changed from -0.21 to -0.16 logits.

Figure 2. NCLEX-RN® Pass Rates for All Candidates



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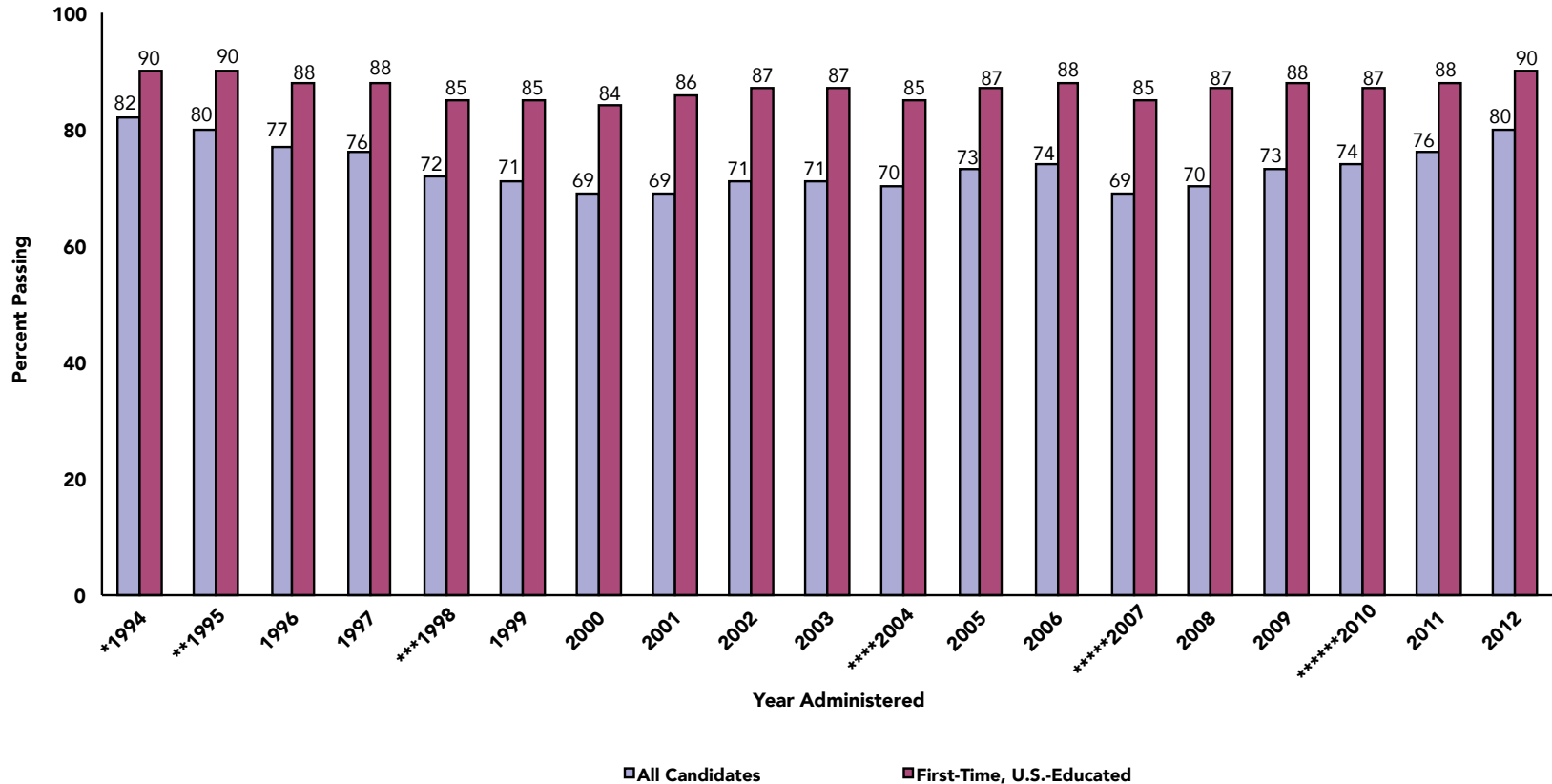
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Figure 3. NCLEX-RN® Annual Pass Rates, April 1994 - December 2012



*Apr 1994 Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) begins. Passing Standard -0.4766 logits.

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Figure 4. NCLEX-RN® Volume for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

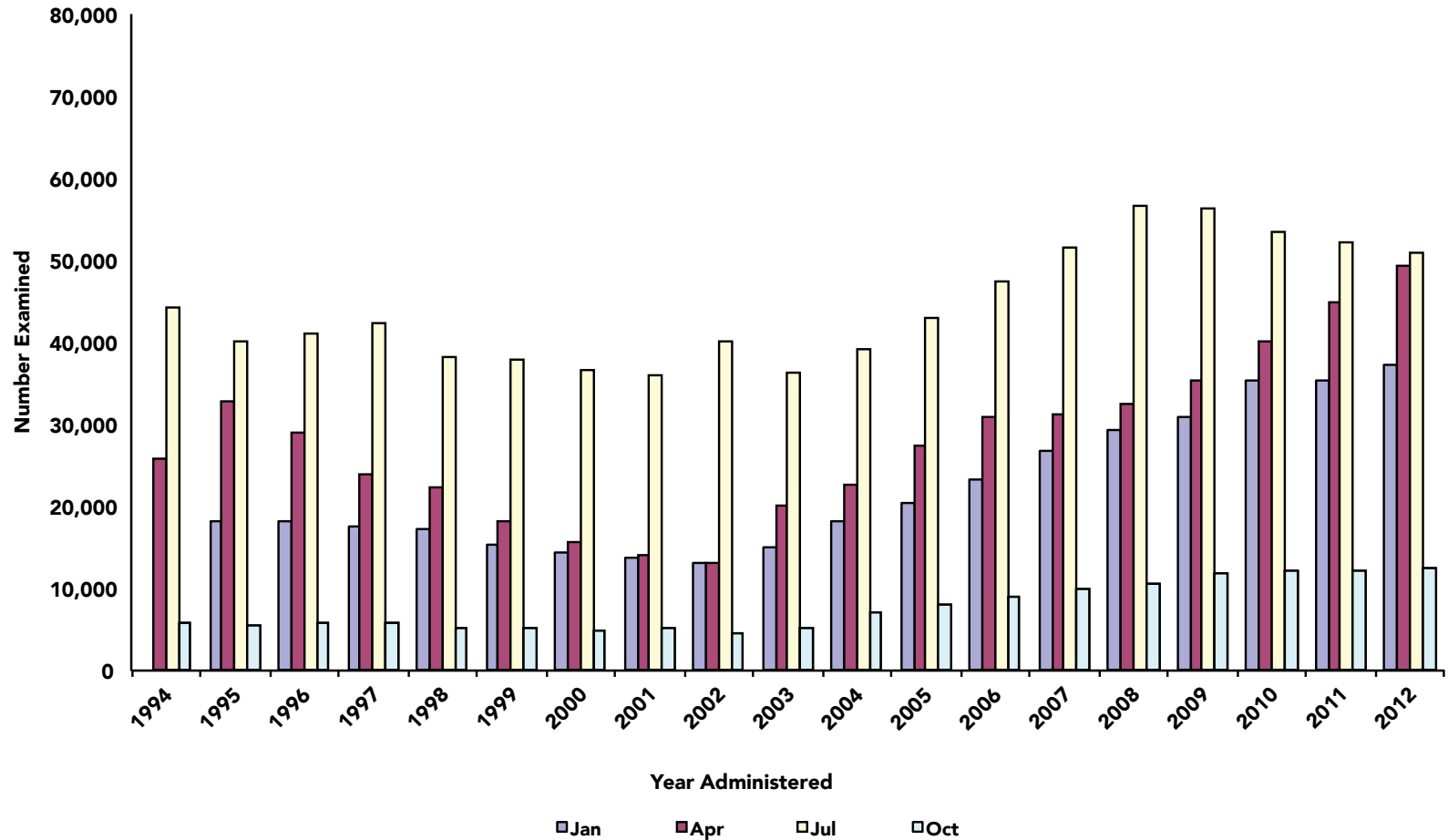


Figure 5. NCLEX-RN® Volume for All Candidates

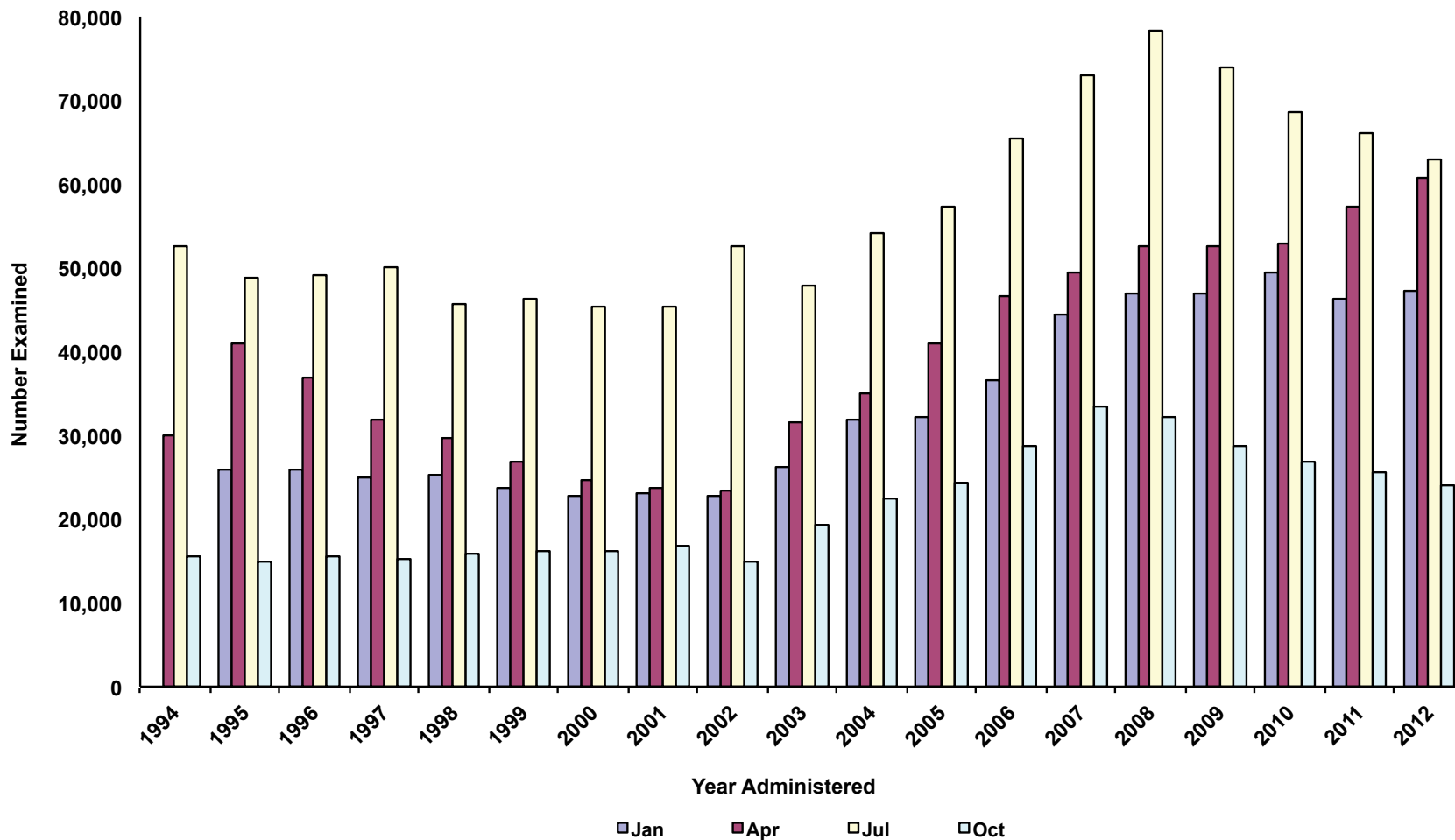


Figure 6. NCLEX-RN® Annual Volume, April 1994 - December 2012

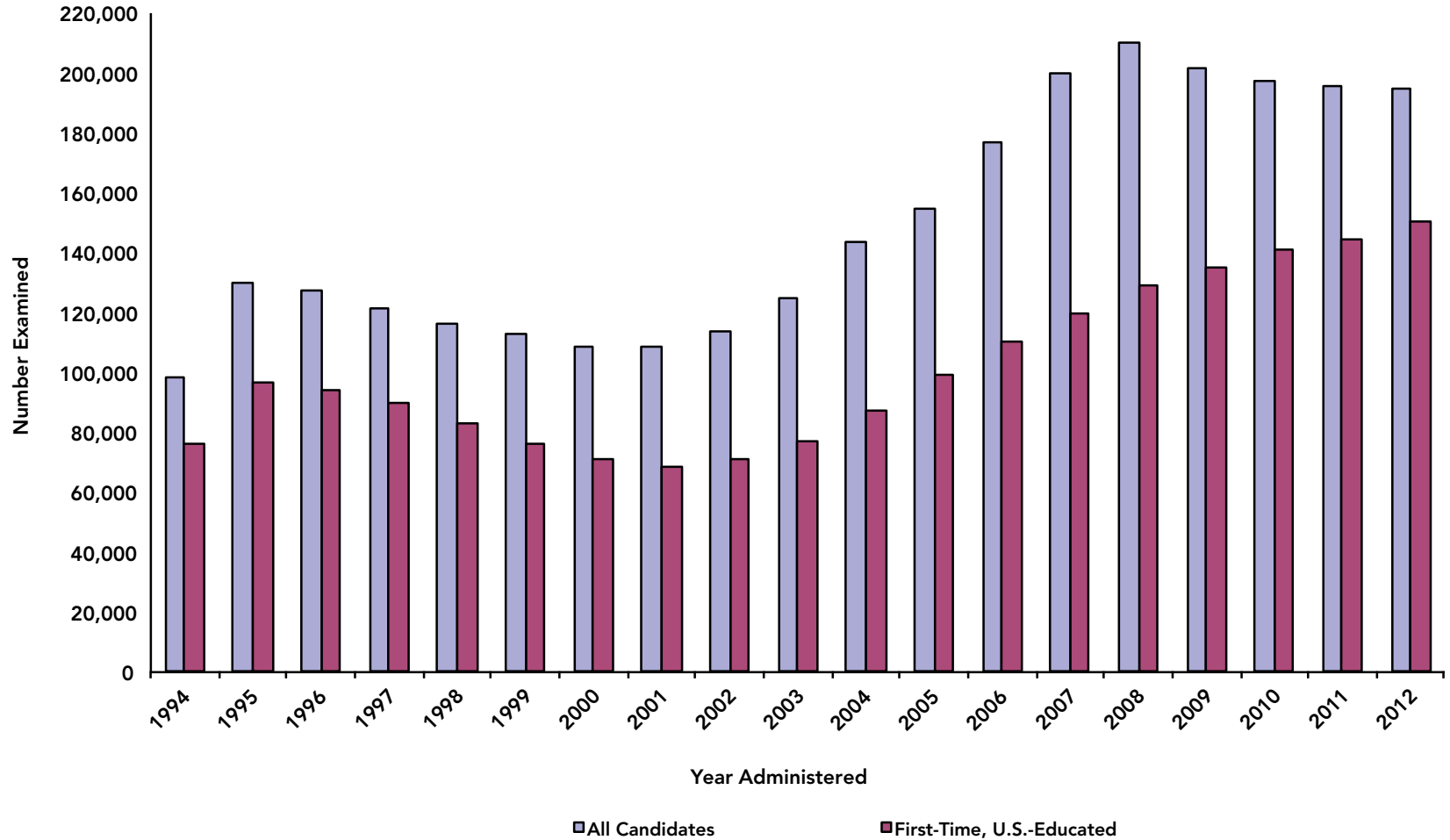


Table 9. Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-PN® Examination: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012 ¹															
Type of Candidate	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
First-Time, U.S.-Educated	15,530	12,998	83.7	13,339	11,010	82.5	21,889	19,087	87.2	12,592	10,263	81.5	63,350	53,358	84.2
Repeat, U.S.-Educated	3,542	1,215	34.3	4,321	1,618	37.5	3,766	1,372	36.4	3,960	1,358	34.3	15,589	5,563	35.7
First-Time, Internationally Educated	134	58	43.3	167	69	41.3	164	77	47.0	246	108	43.9	711	312	43.9
Repeat, Internationally Educated	169	22	13.0	215	36	16.7	215	30	14.0	174	22	12.6	773	110	14.2
All Candidates	19,375	14,293	73.8	18,042	12,733	70.6	26,034	20,566	79.0	16,972	11,751	69.2	80,423	59,343	73.8

¹ Performance of PN Educational Programs. The following is a summary of the 2012 NCLEX pass rates for U.S. PN education programs based upon first-time candidate performance: In 2012, 1,631 U.S. PN programs had at least one first-time candidate. The mean pass rate for those programs was 83.9% (SD 21.0%). When including only those programs with at least 10 first-time examinees (N=1,377), the mean pass rate was 85.9% (SD 15.9%).

Table 10. Summary Statistics for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

NCLEX-PN®	January - December 2012
Passing Standard ¹	-0.27
Estimated Decision Consistency ²	0.908
Average Test Length ³	113
Percent of Candidates Taking the Minimum Number of Items	56.4%
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Number of Items	14.8%
Average Testing Time ⁴	2 hours, 12 minutes
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Amount of Time	1.4%

¹ The NCLEX-PN scale uses logits as the unit of measurement. Logits is short for log-odds-units. These units have no inherent meaning with regard to nursing content and, in fact, have an arbitrary zero point, but logits are practical because the probability of a correct response can easily be computed when the candidate's ability and the item's difficulty are known. Typically, the logit range on the NCLEX-PN scale is from -2.00 (easy items or low ability candidates) to 2.00 (difficult items or high ability candidates).

² Estimated decision consistency is an indicator of reliability. Conceptually, it is the proportion of pass-fail decisions that would remain the same if the same population were retested immediately after their first test (assuming no learning or fatigue effects) using a different set of items.

³ NCLEX-PN Examinations consist of 85 to 205 items.

⁴ The standard amount of allotted testing time for the NCLEX-PN Examination is five hours.

Table 11. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Jurisdiction	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	304	271	89	133	117	88.0	308	291	94.5	148	127	85.8	893	806	90.3
ALASKA	12	11	91.7	2	2	100.0	8	8	100.0	1	1	100.0	23	22	95.7
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
ARIZONA	170	164	96.5	168	163	97.0	155	149	96.1	81	79	97.5	574	555	96.7
ARKANSAS	280	247	88.2	120	108	90.0	532	490	92.1	84	78	92.9	1,016	923	90.9
CALIFORNIA – VN	2,235	1,675	74.9	1,906	1,352	70.9	2,363	1,690	71.5	1,664	1,119	67.3	8,168	5,836	71.5
COLORADO	74	64	86.5	63	53	84.1	220	210	95.5	73	70	95.9	430	397	92.3
CONNECTICUT	229	203	88.7	156	121	77.6	320	265	82.8	220	189	85.9	925	778	84.1
DELAWARE	67	50	74.6	68	50	73.5	87	70	80.5	92	47	51.1	314	217	69.1
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	78	51	65.4	93	60	64.5	98	49	50.0	83	31	37.4	352	191	54.3
FLORIDA	1,209	953	78.8	1,186	918	77.4	1,274	1,023	80.3	1,130	825	73.0	4,799	3,719	77.5
GEORGIA – PN	229	210	91.7	259	227	87.6	457	426	93.2	174	154	88.5	1,119	1,017	90.9
GUAM	1	1	100.0	4	3	75.0	3	2	66.7	6	3	50.0	14	9	64.3
HAWAII	53	47	88.7	21	19	90.5	52	50	96.2	38	36	94.7	164	152	92.7
IDAHO	77	73	94.8	21	20	95.2	83	81	97.6	47	46	97.9	228	220	96.5
ILLINOIS	383	305	79.6	231	184	79.7	920	827	89.9	338	271	80.2	1,872	1,587	84.8
INDIANA	373	331	88.7	225	177	78.7	328	307	93.6	207	179	86.5	1,133	994	87.7
IOWA	330	319	96.7	298	279	93.6	463	439	94.8	146	136	93.2	1,237	1,173	94.8
KANSAS	236	206	87.3	432	397	91.9	275	254	92.4	98	92	93.9	1,041	949	91.2
KENTUCKY	279	243	87.1	356	320	89.9	259	230	88.8	149	130	87.3	1,043	923	88.5
LOUISIANA – PN	539	476	88.3	333	262	78.7	305	261	85.6	105	87	82.9	1,282	1,086	84.7
MAINE	25	22	88.0	27	21	77.8	26	20	76.9	51	39	76.5	129	102	79.1
MARYLAND	36	35	97.2	26	23	88.5	98	94	95.9	49	44	89.8	209	196	93.8
MASSACHUSETTS	90	77	85.6	29	22	75.9	665	618	92.9	109	93	85.3	893	810	90.7
MICHIGAN	408	374	91.7	318	292	91.8	422	404	95.7	345	312	90.4	1,493	1,382	92.6
MINNESOTA	518	469	90.5	613	555	90.5	491	430	87.6	158	142	89.9	1,780	1,596	89.7
MISSISSIPPI	218	179	82.1	41	29	70.7	383	351	91.6	41	34	82.9	683	593	86.8
MISSOURI	293	273	93.2	146	127	87.0	762	715	93.8	168	152	90.5	1,369	1,267	92.6

Table 11. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Jurisdiction	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MONTANA	35	35	100.0	57	56	98.3	28	28	100.0	3	3	100.0	123	122	99.2
NEBRASKA	60	48	80.0	103	98	95.2	140	127	90.7	69	63	91.3	372	336	90.3
NEVADA	23	21	91.3	18	14	77.8	33	29	87.9	27	21	77.8	101	85	84.2
NEW HAMPSHIRE	45	39	86.7	90	83	92.2	53	49	92.5	18	16	88.9	206	187	90.8
NEW JERSEY	718	505	70.3	608	412	67.8	587	443	75.5	682	521	76.4	2,595	1,881	72.5
NEW MEXICO	37	36	97.3	47	46	97.9	55	54	98.2	20	20	100.0	159	156	98.1
NEW YORK	466	323	69.3	540	382	70.7	1,536	1,277	83.1	1,063	830	78.1	3,605	2,812	78.0
NORTH CAROLINA	121	107	88.4	147	137	93.2	515	488	94.8	175	158	90.3	958	890	92.9
NORTH DAKOTA	23	22	95.7	33	32	97.0	107	101	94.4	20	17	85.0	183	172	94.0
NORTHERN MARIANA IS.	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
OHIO	982	857	87.3	905	775	85.6	1,131	981	86.7	1,188	1,063	89.5	4,206	3,676	87.4
OKLAHOMA	213	190	89.2	225	207	92.0	520	476	91.5	196	180	91.8	1,154	1,053	91.3
OREGON	135	117	86.7	109	86	78.9	131	127	97.0	170	161	94.7	545	491	90.1
PENNSYLVANIA	664	597	89.9	451	398	88.3	788	727	92.3	624	549	88.0	2,527	2,271	89.9
RHODE ISLAND	7	5	71.4	8	8	100.0	2	2	100.0	14	12	85.7	31	27	87.1
SOUTH CAROLINA	150	137	91.3	122	118	96.7	245	228	93.1	102	98	96.1	619	581	93.9
SOUTH DAKOTA	42	39	92.9	10	9	90.0	128	122	95.3	29	17	58.6	209	187	89.5
TENNESSEE	266	235	88.4	391	365	93.4	485	458	94.4	265	236	89.1	1,407	1,294	92.0
TEXAS	1,665	1,397	83.9	1,010	859	85.1	2,095	1,847	88.2	1,258	1,052	83.6	6,028	5,155	85.5
UTAH	87	86	98.9	240	238	99.2	137	134	97.8	25	23	92.0	489	481	98.4
VERMONT	0			5	5	100.0	155	150	96.8	5	5	100.0	165	160	97.0
VIRGIN ISLANDS	7	2	28.6	3	0	0.0	0			0			10	2	20.0
VIRGINIA	468	325	69.4	500	364	72.8	613	492	80.3	409	311	76.0	1,990	1,492	75.0
WASHINGTON	130	119	91.5	167	153	91.6	332	318	95.8	263	238	90.5	892	828	92.8
WEST VIRGINIA – PN	83	76	91.6	35	33	94.3	269	247	91.8	66	60	90.9	453	416	91.8
WISCONSIN	335	330	98.5	219	210	95.9	397	381	96.0	84	82	97.6	1,035	1,003	96.9
WYOMING	19	19	100.0	21	21	100.0	50	47	94.0	11	11	100.0	101	98	97.0
TOTAL	15,528	12,996	83.7	13,339	11,010	82.5	21,889	19,087	87.2	12,592	10,263	81.5	63,348	53,356	84.2

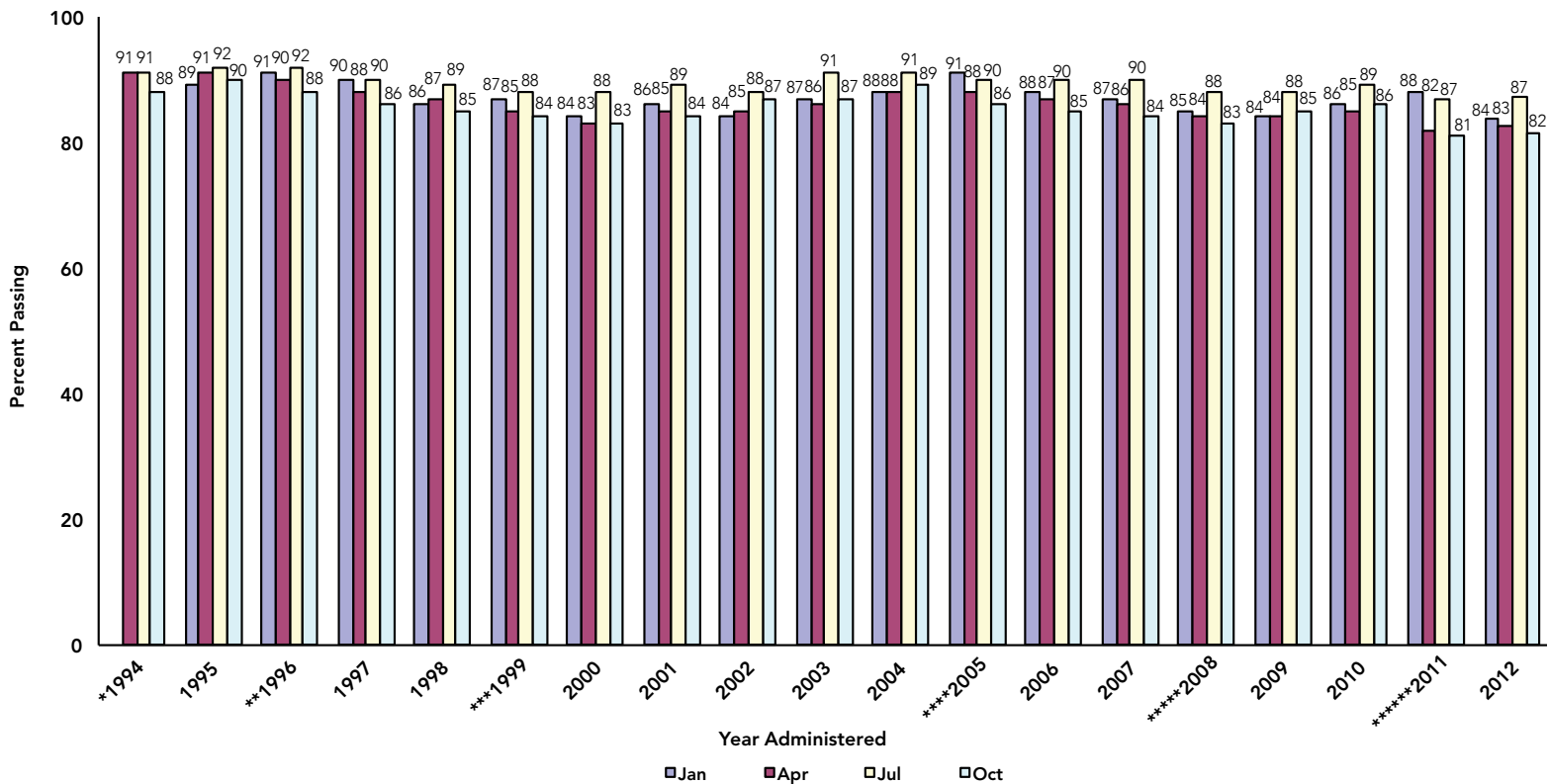
Table 12. First-Time, Internationally Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination, by Country of Education (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

Country of Education	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALBANIA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
ARMENIA	0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
AUSTRALIA	0			0			0			2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0
BANGLADESH	1	0	0.0	0			0			1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0
BELARUS	0			2	1	50.0	0			1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3
BELIZE	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
BRAZIL	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
BULGARIA	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			2	1	50.0
CAMEROON	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	0			2	0	0.0	5	2	40.0
CANADA	7	3	42.9	12	6	50.0	18	9	50.0	15	8	53.3	52	26	50.0
CHINA	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			3	2	66.7
COLOMBIA	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
CUBA	15	6	40.0	15	4	26.7	14	7	50.0	17	6	35.3	61	23	37.7
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
ECUADOR	0			2	1	50.0	0			0			2	1	50.0
ETHIOPIA	4	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	9	1	11.1
FIJI	2	1	50.0	0			0			0			2	1	50.0
GAMBIA	0			0			2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
GERMANY	0			2	2	100.0	1	1	100.0	0			3	3	100.0
GHANA	0			0			1	1	100.0	4	0	0.0	5	1	20.0
GRENADA	1	1	100.0	0			0			0			1	1	100.0
GUYANA	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
HAITI	2	1	50.0	5	1	20.0	4	3	75.0	4	1	25.0	15	6	40.0
HONDURAS	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
INDIA	19	10	52.6	19	9	47.4	21	10	47.6	18	7	38.9	77	36	46.8
INDONESIA	0			0			0			3	1	33.3	3	1	33.3
JAMAICA	6	2	33.3	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0	10	5	50.0

Table 12. First-Time, Internationally Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination, by Country of Education (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012)

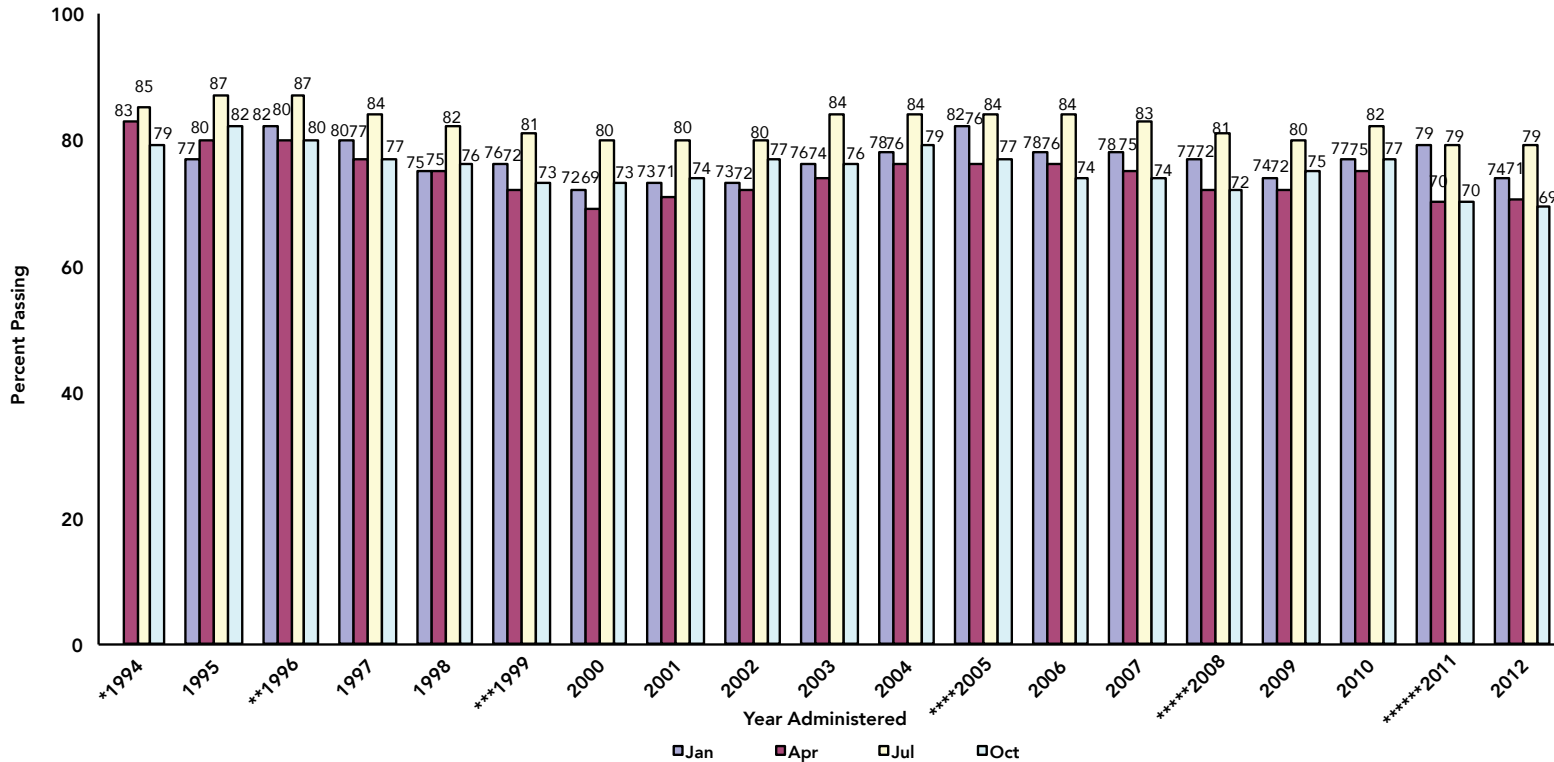
Country of Education	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2012			April 1 - June 30, 2012			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2012			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2012		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
KENYA	4	2	50.0	2	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	3	2	66.7	12	5	41.7
KYRGYZSTAN	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
LITHUANIA	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
MEXICO	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
NEPAL	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
NIGERIA	6	2	33.3	2	0	0.0	5	2	40.0	3	0	0.0	16	4	25.0
PAKISTAN	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
PANAMA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
PERU	1	1	100.0	3	2	66.7	0			1	0	0.0	5	3	60.0
PHILIPPINES	52	24	46.2	74	34	45.9	81	36	44.4	153	77	50.3	360	171	47.5
POLAND	2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	0			1	0	0.0	4	1	25.0
PUERTO RICO	2	0	0.0	7	2	28.6	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	13	2	15.4
ROMANIA	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3
SERBIA	0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0
SIERRA LEONE	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
SRI LANKA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
SWEDEN	0			0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
TAIWAN	2	1	50.0	2	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	5	1	20.0
TANZANIA, UNITED REPUBLIC OF	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
UKRAINE	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	2	0	0.0	8	3	37.5
UZBEKISTAN	0			2	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
Total	134	58	43.3	167	69	41.3	164	77	47.0	246	108	43.9	711	312	43.9

Figure 7. NCLEX-PN® Pass Rates for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates



*Apr 1994 Computer Adaptive Test (CAT) begins. Passing Standard -0.56 logits.
 **Oct 1996 Passing Standard changed from -0.56 to -0.51 logits.
 ***Apr 1999 Passing Standard changed from -0.51 to -0.47 logits.
 ****Apr 2005 Passing Standard changed from -0.47 to -0.42 logits.
 *****Apr 2008 Passing Standard changed from -0.42 to -0.37 logits.
 *****Apr 2011 Passing Standard changed from -0.37 to -0.27 logits.

Figure 8. NCLEX-PN® Pass Rates for All Candidates



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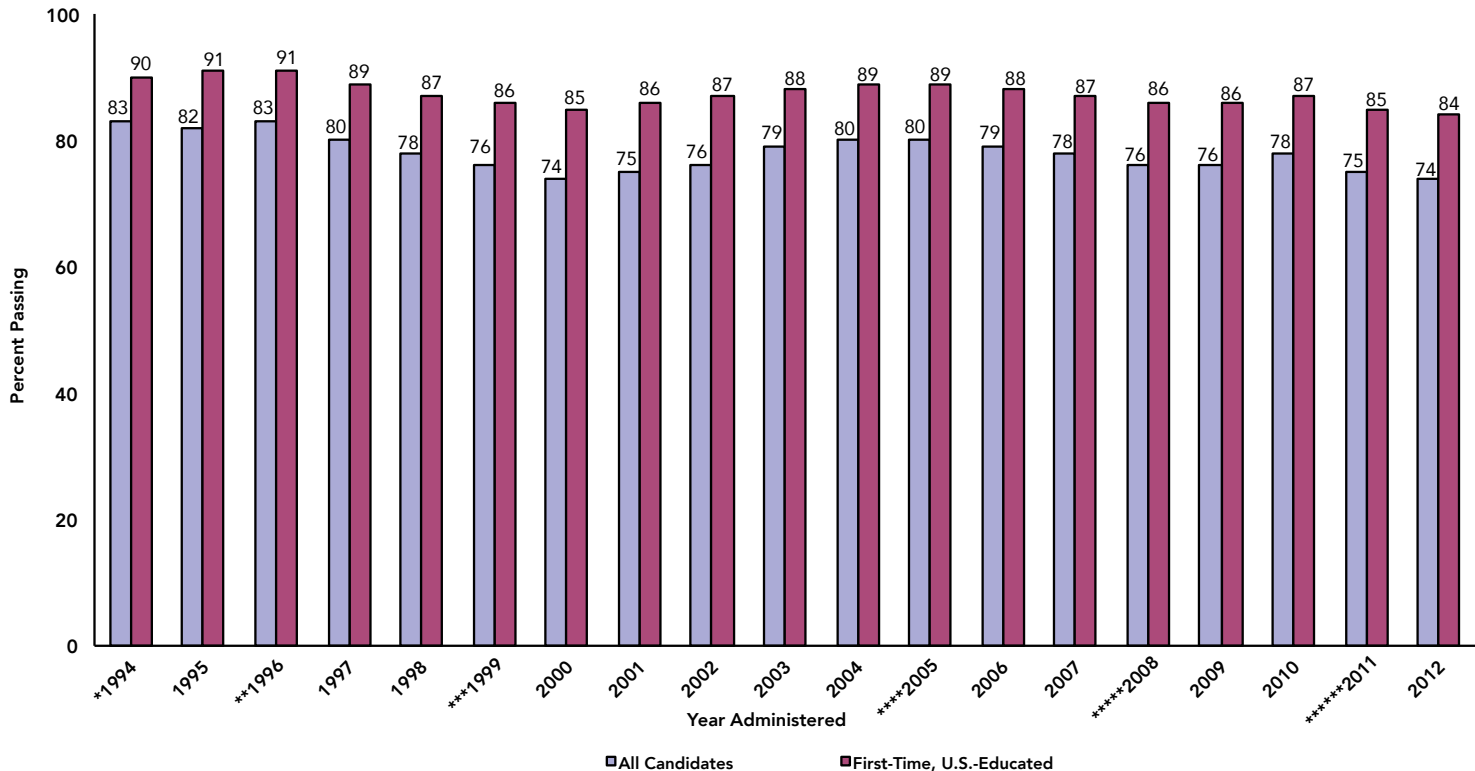
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Figure 9. NCLEX-PN® Annual Pass Rates, April 1994 - December 2012



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Figure 10. NCLEX-PN® Volume for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

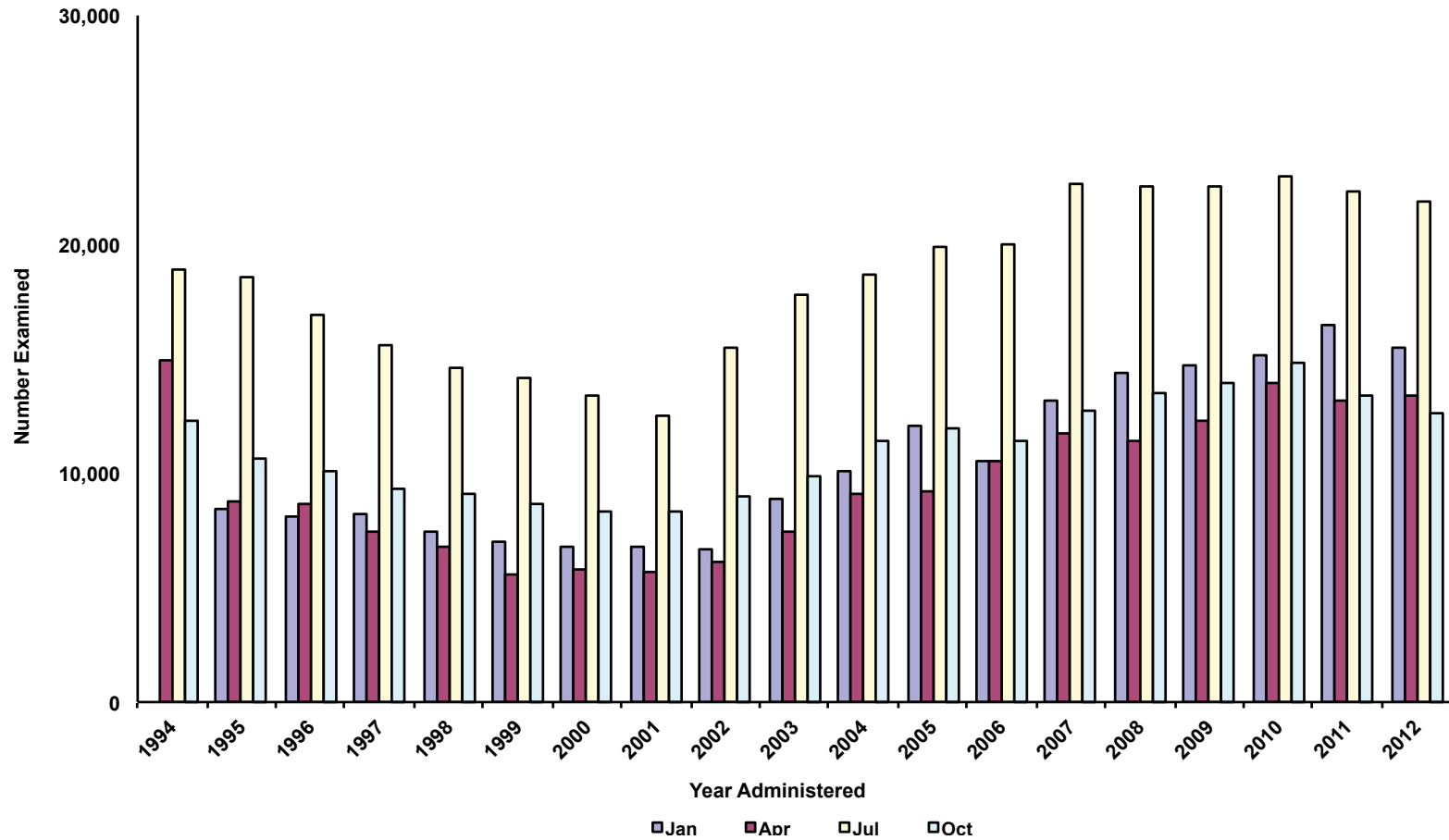


Figure 11. NCLEX-PN® Volume for All Candidates

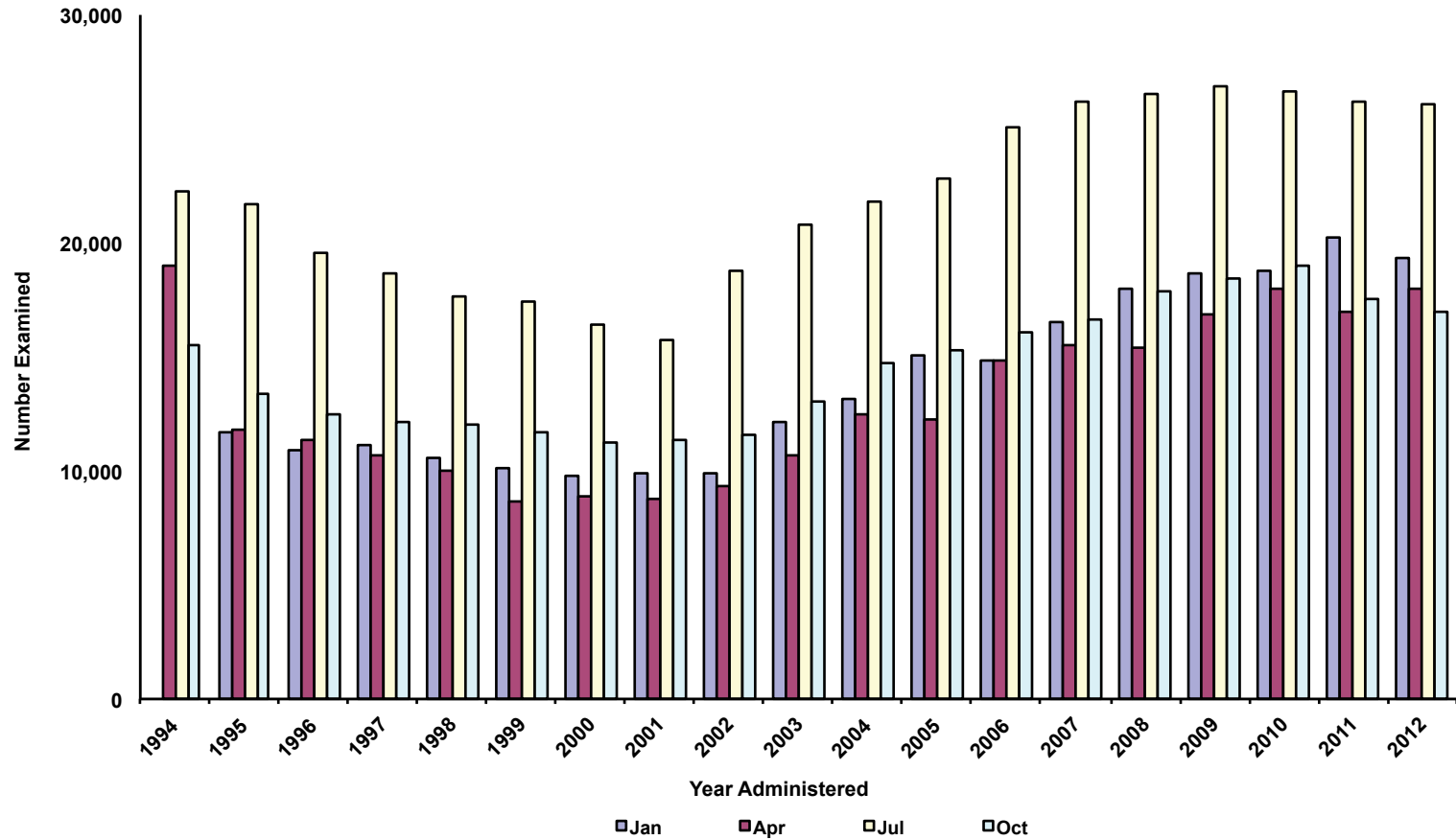
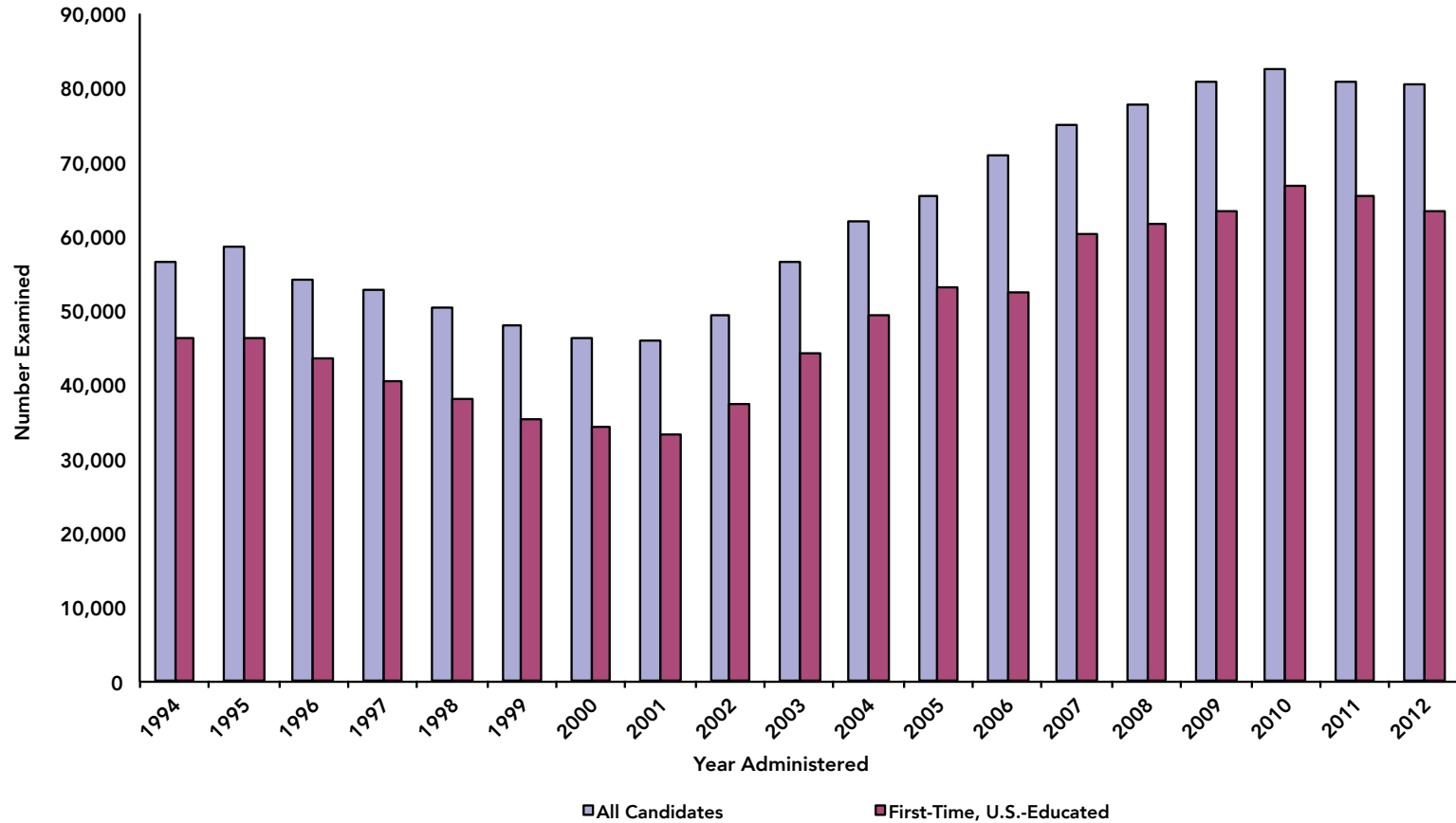


Figure 12. NCLEX-PN® Annual Volume, April 1994 - December 2011



PART II – 2013 NCLEX® EXAMINATION STATISTICS

Table 1. Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Type of Candidate¹

NCLEX-RN® Examination: Jan. 1 - Dec.31, 2013															
Type of Candidate	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013			April 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
First-Time, U.S.-Educated															
Diploma	741	665	89.7	478	383	80.1	1,354	1,138	84.0	267	183	68.5	2,840	2,369	83.4
Associate Degree	23,662	21,151	89.4	27,081	21,922	80.9	28,656	22,800	79.6	7,406	4,805	64.9	86,805	70,678	81.4
Baccalaureate Degree	16,564	15,197	91.7	20,248	17,377	85.8	23,710	19,459	82.1	4,880	3,675	75.3	65,402	55,708	85.2
Special Program Codes	12	11	91.7	10	6	60.0	14	12	85.7	12	7	58.3	48	36	75.0
Total First-Time, U.S.-Educated	40,979	37,024	90.3	47,817	39,688	83.0	53,734	43,409	80.8	12,565	8,670	69.0	155,095	128,791	83.0
Repeat, U.S.-Educated	5,232	2,542	48.6	5,814	1,738	29.9	12,651	7,216	57.0	11,426	5,156	45.1	35,123	16,652	47.4
First-Time, Internationally Educated	1,930	680	35.2	1,912	568	29.7	1,958	555	28.3	2,100	616	29.3	7,900	2,419	30.6
Repeat, Internationally Educated	2,948	569	19.3	3,009	366	12.2	3,102	392	12.6	3,365	550	16.3	12,424	1,877	15.1
All Candidates	51,089	40,815	79.9	58,552	42,360	72.3	71,445	51,572	72.2	29,456	14,992	50.9	210,542	149,739	71.1

¹ Performance of RN Educational Programs. The following is a summary of the 2013 NCLEX pass rates for U.S. RN education programs based upon first-time candidate performance: In 2013, 2,146 U.S. RN programs had at least one first-time candidate. The mean pass rate for those programs was 81.0% (SD 17.0%). When including only those programs with at least 10 first-time examinees (N=1,978) the mean pass rate was 82.2% (SD 13.0%).

Table 2. Summary Statistics for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

NCLEX-RN®	January - December 2013
Passing Standard ¹	-0.16 logits (Jan. 1 - Mar. 31) 0.00 logits (Apr. 1 - Dec. 31)
Estimated Decision Consistency ²	0.89
Average Test Length ³	127 items
Percent of Candidates Taking the Minimum Number of Items	46.0%
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Number of Items	16.9%
Average Testing Time ⁴	2 hours, 28 minutes
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Amount of Time	1.6%

1 The NCLEX-RN passing standard scale uses logits as the unit of measurement. Logits is short for log-odds-units. These units have no inherent meaning with regard to nursing content and in fact have an arbitrary zero point, but logits are practical because the probability of a correct response can easily be computed when the candidate's ability and the item's difficulty are known. Typically, the logit range on the NCLEX-RN scale is from -2.00 (easy items or low ability candidates) to 2.00 (difficult items or high ability candidates).

2 Estimated decision consistency is an indicator of reliability. Conceptually, it is the proportion of pass-fail decisions that would remain the same if the same population were retested immediately after their first test (assuming no learning or fatigue effects) using a different set of items.

3 NCLEX-RN Examinations consist of 75 to 265 items.

4 The standard amount of allotted testing time for the NCLEX-RN Examination is six hours.

Table 3. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			443	423	95.5	460	404	87.8	903	827	91.6
ALASKA	0			29	27	93.1	48	46	95.8	77	73	94.8
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0
ARIZONA	0			307	288	93.8	781	737	94.4	1,088	1,025	94.2
ARKANSAS	87	75	86.2	127	119	93.7	478	438	91.6	692	632	91.3
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1515	1358	89.6	2226	2043	91.8	3,741	3,401	90.9
COLORADO	0			349	329	94.3	299	266	89.0	648	595	91.8
CONNECTICUT	51	49	96.1	146	139	95.2	145	130	89.7	342	318	93.0
DELAWARE	0			27	27	100.0	155	141	91.0	182	168	92.3
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			74	66	89.2	32	20	62.5	106	86	81.1
FLORIDA	0			573	529	92.3	2421	2016	83.3	2,994	2,545	85.0
GEORGIA – RN	0			512	476	93.0	500	454	90.8	1,012	930	91.9
GUAM	0			0			2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0
HAWAII	0			137	113	82.5	60	51	85.0	197	164	83.2
IDAHO	0			128	121	94.5	142	131	92.3	270	252	93.3
ILLINOIS	0			813	755	92.9	689	646	93.8	1,502	1,401	93.3
INDIANA	12	11	91.7	477	440	92.2	482	405	84.0	971	856	88.2
IOWA	0			69	67	97.1	422	365	86.5	491	432	88.0
KANSAS	0			137	119	86.9	326	279	85.6	463	398	86.0
KENTUCKY	0			301	295	98.0	565	521	92.2	866	816	94.2
LOUISIANA – RN	28	28	100.0	494	458	92.7	439	403	91.8	961	889	92.5
MAINE	0			99	95	96.0	49	44	89.8	148	139	93.9
MARYLAND	0			334	279	83.5	587	521	88.8	921	800	86.9

Table 3. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MASSACHUSETTS	0			568	536	94.4	392	358	91.3	960	894	93.1
MICHIGAN	0			717	672	93.7	688	633	92.0	1,405	1,305	92.9
MINNESOTA	0			250	238	95.2	565	490	86.7	815	728	89.3
MISSISSIPPI	0			140	131	93.6	363	335	92.3	503	466	92.6
MISSOURI	3	2	66.7	433	403	93.1	454	428	94.3	890	833	93.6
MONTANA	0			79	77	97.5	52	46	88.5	131	123	93.9
NEBRASKA	0			185	177	95.7	38	30	78.9	223	207	92.8
NEVADA	0			137	131	95.6	136	122	89.7	273	253	92.7
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			35	35	100.0	1	0	0.0	36	35	97.2
NEW JERSEY	184	169	91.9	221	157	71.0	381	335	87.9	786	661	84.1
NEW MEXICO	0			102	88	86.3	256	209	81.6	358	297	83.0
NEW YORK	0			729	647	88.8	1659	1384	83.4	2,388	2,031	85.1
NORTH CAROLINA	63	63	100.0	445	421	94.6	313	293	93.6	821	777	94.6
NORTH DAKOTA	0			78	72	92.3	0			78	72	92.3
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			0			0		
OHIO	34	7	20.6	571	515	90.2	1441	1321	91.7	2,046	1,843	90.1
OKLAHOMA	0			87	81	93.1	305	277	90.8	392	358	91.3
OREGON	0			97	91	93.8	30	29	96.7	127	120	94.5
PENNSYLVANIA	143	134	93.7	472	425	90.0	566	521	92.0	1,181	1,080	91.4
RHODE ISLAND	1	1	100.0	129	121	93.8	98	91	92.9	228	213	93.4
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			239	214	89.5	323	310	96.0	562	524	93.2
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			99	95	96.0	78	74	94.9	177	169	95.5
TENNESSEE	0			636	590	92.8	361	340	94.2	997	930	93.3
TEXAS	69	65	94.2	1698	1549	91.2	1978	1753	88.6	3,745	3,367	89.9
UTAH	0			80	77	96.3	296	263	88.9	376	340	90.4
VERMONT	0			0			2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
VIRGINIA	66	61	92.4	559	508	90.9	383	335	87.5	1,008	904	89.7
WASHINGTON	0			184	160	87.0	280	262	93.6	464	422	90.9
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			84	77	91.7	130	117	90.0	214	194	90.7
WISCONSIN	0			418	386	92.3	738	690	93.5	1,156	1,076	93.1
WYOMING	0			0			45	41	91.1	45	41	91.1
TOTAL	741	665	89.7	16,564	15,197	91.7	23,662	21,151	89.4	40,967	37,013	90.3

1 Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 4. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (April 1 - June 30, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Apr. 1 - June 30, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			461	389	84.4	701	546	77.9	1,162	935	80.5
ALASKA	0			17	10	58.8	30	21	70.0	47	31	66.0
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			331	290	87.6	657	556	84.6	988	846	85.6
ARKANSAS	4	2	50.0	202	182	90.1	100	82	82.0	306	266	86.9
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1,159	958	82.7	1,174	979	83.4	2,333	1,937	83.0
COLORADO	0			209	185	88.5	221	190	86.0	430	375	87.2
CONNECTICUT	36	34	94.4	187	169	90.4	98	77	78.6	321	280	87.2
DELAWARE	12	9	75.0	30	25	83.3	48	40	83.3	90	74	82.2
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			74	59	79.7	21	9	42.9	95	68	71.6
FLORIDA	0			804	712	88.6	2,387	1,738	72.8	3,191	2,450	76.8
GEORGIA – RN	0			889	750	84.4	817	679	83.1	1,706	1,429	83.8
GUAM	0			0			0			0		
HAWAII	0			33	19	57.6	21	17	81.0	54	36	66.7
IDAHO	0			113	103	91.2	155	131	84.5	268	234	87.3
ILLINOIS	13	9	69.2	1,060	921	86.9	735	604	82.2	1,808	1,534	84.8
INDIANA	27	19	70.4	1,002	866	86.4	1,055	879	83.3	2,084	1,764	84.6
IOWA	0			248	223	89.9	428	332	77.6	676	555	82.1
KANSAS	0			484	417	86.2	566	430	76.0	1,050	847	80.7
KENTUCKY	0			426	387	90.8	751	603	80.3	1,177	990	84.1
LOUISIANA – RN	0			291	263	90.4	258	208	80.6	549	471	85.8
MAINE	0			212	165	77.8	208	173	83.2	420	338	80.5
MARYLAND	0			299	245	81.9	480	409	85.2	779	654	84.0
MASSACHUSETTS	34	28	82.4	584	497	85.1	327	263	80.4	945	788	83.4
MICHIGAN	0			569	494	86.8	872	752	86.2	1,441	1,246	86.5
MINNESOTA	0			486	409	84.2	977	806	82.5	1,463	1,215	83.0
MISSISSIPPI	0			300	242	80.7	864	677	78.4	1,164	919	79.0
MISSOURI	3	3	100.0	689	614	89.1	422	354	83.9	1,114	971	87.2
MONTANA	0			103	88	85.4	116	97	83.6	219	185	84.5
NEBRASKA	0			403	361	89.6	140	117	83.6	543	478	88.0
NEVADA	0			171	152	88.9	186	153	82.3	357	305	85.4
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			136	124	91.2	259	217	83.8	395	341	86.3
NEW JERSEY	57	45	78.9	86	56	65.1	251	184	73.3	394	285	72.3
NEW MEXICO	0			61	41	67.2	229	186	81.2	290	227	78.3
NEW YORK	1	0	0.0	564	467	82.8	1,320	1,006	76.2	1,885	1,473	78.1
NORTH CAROLINA	41	36	87.8	704	612	86.9	1,750	1,504	85.9	2,495	2,152	86.3
NORTH DAKOTA	0			244	208	85.2	75	65	86.7	319	273	85.6
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			5	1	20.0	5	1	20.0
OHIO	60	28	46.7	828	684	82.6	1,138	861	75.7	2,026	1,573	77.6
OKLAHOMA	0			309	267	86.4	457	361	79.0	766	628	82.0

Table 4. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (April 1 - June 30, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Apr. 1 - June 30, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			259	222	85.7	42	38	90.5	301	260	86.4
PENNSYLVANIA	115	107	93.0	807	703	87.1	904	777	86.0	1,826	1,587	86.9
RHODE ISLAND	12	12	100.0	46	41	89.1	56	45	80.4	114	98	86.0
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			556	487	87.6	525	449	85.5	1,081	936	86.6
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			229	199	86.9	200	150	75.0	429	349	81.4
TENNESSEE	0			721	624	86.5	671	585	87.2	1,392	1,209	86.9
TEXAS	19	17	89.5	1,425	1,201	84.3	2,112	1,670	79.1	3,556	2,888	81.2
UTAH	0			194	176	90.7	546	419	76.7	740	595	80.4
VERMONT	0			44	40	90.9	148	125	84.5	192	165	85.9
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			3	1	33.3	1	1	100.0	4	2	50.0
VIRGINIA	44	34	77.3	440	366	83.2	516	427	82.8	1,000	827	82.7
WASHINGTON	0			178	148	83.1	297	253	85.2	475	401	84.4
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			162	133	82.1	240	204	85.0	402	337	83.8
WISCONSIN	0			401	369	92.0	422	378	89.6	823	747	90.8
WYOMING	0			15	13	86.7	102	94	92.2	117	107	91.5
TOTAL	478	383	80.1	20,248	17,377	85.8	27,081	21,922	80.9	47,807	39,682	83.0

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 5. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			442	385	87.1	712	556	78.1	1,154	941	81.5
ALASKA	0			35	31	88.6	16	13	81.3	51	44	86.3
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			252	221	87.7	345	300	87.0	597	521	87.3
ARKANSAS	124	110	88.7	237	199	84.0	315	247	78.4	676	556	82.2
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			1,724	1,370	79.5	2,327	1,939	83.3	4,051	3,309	81.7
COLORADO	0			516	443	85.9	268	222	82.8	784	665	84.8
CONNECTICUT	7	4	57.1	497	437	87.9	391	349	89.3	895	790	88.3
DELAWARE	4	4	100.0	148	116	78.4	95	74	77.9	247	194	78.5
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			124	87	70.2	34	14	41.2	158	101	63.9
FLORIDA	0			991	851	85.9	2,273	1,645	72.4	3,264	2,496	76.5
GEORGIA – RN	0			434	357	82.3	370	304	82.2	804	661	82.2
GUAM	0			1	1	100.0	8	8	100.0	9	9	100.0
HAWAII	0			146	112	76.7	104	79	76.0	250	191	76.4
IDAHO	0			77	67	87.0	118	101	85.6	195	168	86.2
ILLINOIS	6	3	50.0	1,099	926	84.3	1,509	1,242	82.3	2,614	2,171	83.1
INDIANA	24	19	79.2	518	430	83.0	413	315	76.3	955	764	80.0
IOWA	0			241	201	83.4	622	513	82.5	863	714	82.7
KANSAS	0			142	99	69.7	204	127	62.3	346	226	65.3
KENTUCKY	0			252	221	87.7	295	228	77.3	547	449	82.1
LOUISIANA – RN	0			384	317	82.6	216	174	80.6	600	491	81.8
MAINE	0			68	54	79.4	69	48	69.6	137	102	74.5
MARYLAND	0			556	393	70.7	510	395	77.5	1,066	788	73.9
MASSACHUSETTS	50	34	68.0	892	716	80.3	732	577	78.8	1,674	1,327	79.3
MICHIGAN	0			699	584	83.5	1,110	940	84.7	1,809	1,524	84.2
MINNESOTA	0			432	319	73.8	378	249	65.9	810	568	70.1
MISSISSIPPI	0			70	58	82.9	94	68	72.3	164	126	76.8
MISSOURI	27	23	85.2	775	655	84.5	593	504	85.0	1,395	1,182	84.7
MONTANA	0			67	62	92.5	74	62	83.8	141	124	87.9
NEBRASKA	0			244	191	78.3	167	137	82.0	411	328	79.8
NEVADA	0			64	61	95.3	131	102	77.9	195	163	83.6
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			96	82	85.4	169	126	74.6	265	208	78.5
NEW JERSEY	256	203	79.3	696	520	74.7	680	568	83.5	1,632	1,291	79.1
NEW MEXICO	0			48	38	79.2	248	186	75.0	296	224	75.7
NEW YORK	8	6	75.0	1,858	1,438	77.4	2,641	2,002	75.8	4,507	3,446	76.5
NORTH CAROLINA	31	30	96.8	240	199	82.9	302	231	76.5	573	460	80.3
NORTH DAKOTA	0			47	37	78.7	19	16	84.2	66	53	80.3
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			4	1	25.0	4	1	25.0
OHIO	75	47	62.7	1,603	1,328	82.8	1,931	1,529	79.2	3,609	2,904	80.5
OKLAHOMA	0			431	364	84.5	424	337	79.5	855	701	82.0

Table 5. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			364	317	87.1	489	449	91.8	853	766	89.8
PENNSYLVANIA	606	538	88.8	1,818	1,551	85.3	1,354	1,091	80.6	3,778	3,180	84.2
RHODE ISLAND	14	14	100.0	169	150	88.8	166	134	80.7	349	298	85.4
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			154	111	72.1	321	284	88.5	475	395	83.2
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			115	100	87.0	95	67	70.5	210	167	79.5
TENNESSEE	0			584	503	86.1	483	377	78.1	1,067	880	82.5
TEXAS	44	38	86.4	1,354	1,094	80.8	1,761	1,290	73.3	3,159	2,422	76.7
UTAH	0			99	90	90.9	208	164	78.8	307	254	82.7
VERMONT	0			57	51	89.5	72	44	61.1	129	95	73.6
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			7	4	57.1	14	12	85.7	21	16	76.2
VIRGINIA	78	65	83.3	589	477	81.0	995	822	82.6	1,662	1,364	82.1
WASHINGTON	0			468	400	85.5	993	869	87.5	1,461	1,269	86.9
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			144	112	77.8	211	171	81.0	355	283	79.7
WISCONSIN	0			599	492	82.1	482	409	84.9	1,081	901	83.3
WYOMING	0			43	37	86.0	101	89	88.1	144	126	87.5
TOTAL	1,354	1,138	84.0	23,710	19,459	82.1	28,656	22,800	79.6	53,720	43,397	80.8

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 6. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			65	51	78.5	170	115	67.6	235	166	70.6
ALASKA	0			19	16	84.2	5	3	60.0	24	19	79.2
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			0			0		
ARIZONA	0			143	116	81.1	94	60	63.8	237	176	74.3
ARKANSAS	9	6	66.7	16	14	87.5	78	61	78.2	103	81	78.6
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			507	362	71.4	434	291	67.1	941	653	69.4
COLORADO	0			162	139	85.8	68	46	67.6	230	185	80.4
CONNECTICUT	1	1	100.0	60	47	78.3	97	72	74.2	158	120	75.9
DELAWARE	1	1	100.0	9	3	33.3	19	12	63.2	29	16	55.2
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			9	2	22.2	16	8	50.0	25	10	40.0
FLORIDA	0			197	154	78.2	1625	1007	62.0	1,822	1,161	63.7
GEORGIA – RN	0			60	47	78.3	94	68	72.3	154	115	74.7
GUAM	0			2	2	100.0	13	10	76.9	15	12	80.0
HAWAII	0			71	50	70.4	27	18	66.7	98	68	69.4
IDAHO	0			5	2	40.0	32	22	68.8	37	24	64.9
ILLINOIS	0			279	220	78.9	193	109	56.5	472	329	69.7
INDIANA	3	2	66.7	119	88	73.9	180	101	56.1	302	191	63.2
IOWA	0			8	6	75.0	176	114	64.8	184	120	65.2
KANSAS	0			105	92	87.6	90	58	64.4	195	150	76.9
KENTUCKY	0			17	13	76.5	152	106	69.7	169	119	70.4
LOUISIANA – RN	0			49	34	69.4	27	17	63.0	76	51	67.1
MAINE	0			31	29	93.5	3	3	100.0	34	32	94.1
MARYLAND	0			45	28	62.2	96	69	71.9	141	97	68.8
MASSACHUSETTS	3	1	33.3	111	70	63.1	62	30	48.4	176	101	57.4
MICHIGAN	0			221	165	74.7	137	82	59.9	358	247	69.0
MINNESOTA	0			36	18	50.0	53	30	56.6	89	48	53.9
MISSISSIPPI	0			8	4	50.0	31	17	54.8	39	21	53.8
MISSOURI	27	26	96.3	164	132	80.5	82	57	69.5	273	215	78.8
MONTANA	0			5	3	60.0	8	7	87.5	13	10	76.9
NEBRASKA	0			58	47	81.0	73	45	61.6	131	92	70.2
NEVADA	0			22	14	63.6	72	46	63.9	94	60	63.8
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			4	2	50.0	21	13	61.9	25	15	60.0
NEW JERSEY	45	28	62.2	243	170	70.0	107	68	63.6	395	266	67.3
NEW MEXICO	0			28	25	89.3	118	96	81.4	146	121	82.9
NEW YORK	1	1	100.0	297	216	72.7	532	342	64.3	830	559	67.3
NORTH CAROLINA	1	1	100.0	43	38	88.4	57	42	73.7	101	81	80.2
NORTH DAKOTA	0			8	5	62.5	1	0	0.0	9	5	55.6
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS	0			0			11	3	27.3	11	3	27.3
OHIO	21	4	19.0	429	317	73.9	747	475	63.6	1,197	796	66.5
OKLAHOMA	0			22	17	77.3	40	22	55.0	62	39	62.9

Table 6. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)¹

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			Total Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
OREGON	0			62	54	87.1	36	28	77.8	98	82	83.7
PENNSYLVANIA	150	107	71.3	246	191	77.6	149	87	58.4	545	385	70.6
RHODE ISLAND	0			10	7	70.0	27	19	70.4	37	26	70.3
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			37	28	75.7	139	109	78.4	176	137	77.8
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			35	31	88.6	10	6	60.0	45	37	82.2
TENNESSEE	0			95	72	75.8	48	25	52.1	143	97	67.8
TEXAS	0			349	256	73.4	565	381	67.4	914	637	69.7
UTAH	0			15	13	86.7	101	75	74.3	116	88	75.9
VERMONT	0			2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			2	1	50.0	2	1	50.0	4	2	50.0
VIRGINIA	5	5	100.0	112	84	75.0	262	179	68.3	379	268	70.7
WASHINGTON	0			78	66	84.6	102	68	66.7	180	134	74.4
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			114	86	75.4	37	20	54.1	151	106	70.2
WISCONSIN	0			37	19	51.4	82	58	70.7	119	77	64.7
WYOMING	0			9	7	77.8	4	4	100.0	13	11	84.6
TOTAL	267	183	68.5	4880	3675	75.3	7406	4805	64.9	12,553	8,663	69.0

¹ Data does not include Special Program Codes.

Table 7. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			RN-Special Program Codes			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	0			1,411	1,248	88.4	2,043	1,621	79.3	0			3,454	2,869	83.1
ALASKA	0			100	84	84.0	99	83	83.8	1	1	100.0	200	168	84.0
AMERICAN SAMOA	0			0			2	1	50.0	0			2	1	66.7
ARIZONA	0			1,033	915	88.6	1,877	1,653	88.1	0			2,910	2,568	88.2
ARKANSAS	224	193	86.2	582	514	88.3	971	828	85.3	0			1,777	1,535	86.4
CALIFORNIA – RN	0			4,905	4,048	82.5	6,161	5,252	85.2	22	17	77.3	11,088	9,317	84.0
COLORADO	0			1,236	1,096	88.7	856	724	84.6	0			2,092	1,820	87.0
CONNECTICUT	95	88	92.6	890	792	89.0	731	628	85.9	2	2	100.0	1,718	1,510	87.9
DELAWARE	17	14	82.4	214	171	79.9	317	267	84.2	0			548	452	82.5
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	0			281	214	76.2	103	51	49.5	0			384	265	69.0
FLORIDA	0			2,565	2,246	87.6	8,706	6,406	73.6	1	1	100.0	11,272	8,653	76.8
GEORGIA – RN	0			1,895	1,630	86.0	1,781	1,505	84.5	0			3,676	3,135	85.3
GUAM	0			3	3	100.0	23	19	82.6	0			26	22	84.6
HAWAII	0			387	294	76.0	212	165	77.8	0			599	459	76.6
IDAHO	0			323	293	90.7	447	385	86.1	0			770	678	88.1
ILLINOIS	19	12	63.2	3,251	2,822	86.8	3,126	2,601	83.2	1	1	100.0	6,397	5,436	85.0
INDIANA	66	51	77.3	2,116	1,824	86.2	2,130	1,700	79.8	0			4,312	3,575	82.9
IOWA	0			566	497	87.8	1,648	1,324	80.3	0			2,214	1,821	82.2
KANSAS	0			868	727	83.8	1,186	894	75.4	0			2,054	1,621	78.9
KENTUCKY	0			996	916	92.0	1,763	1,458	82.7	1	0	0.0	2,760	2,374	86.0
LOUISIANA – RN	28	28	100.0	1,218	1,072	88.0	940	802	85.3	0			2,186	1,902	87.0
MAINE	0			410	343	83.7	329	268	81.5	1	0	0.0	740	611	82.6
MARYLAND	0			1,234	945	76.6	1,673	1,394	83.3	0			2,907	2,339	80.5
MASSACHUSETTS	87	63	72.4	2,155	1,819	84.4	1,513	1,228	81.2	0			3,755	3,110	82.8
MICHIGAN	0			2,206	1,915	86.8	2,807	2,407	85.7	1	0	0.0	5,014	4,322	86.2
MINNESOTA	0			1,204	984	81.7	1,973	1,575	79.8	0			3,177	2,559	80.5
MISSISSIPPI	0			518	435	84.0	1,352	1,097	81.1	0			1,870	1,532	81.9
MISSOURI	60	54	90.0	2,061	1,804	87.5	1,551	1,343	86.6	0			3,672	3,201	87.2

Table 7. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-RN® Examination by Degree Type (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)

Jurisdiction	RN-Diploma			RN-Baccalaureate			RN-Associate Degree			RN-Special Program Codes			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MONTANA	0			254	230	90.6	250	212	84.8	0			504	442	87.7
NEBRASKA	0			890	776	87.2	418	329	78.7	0			1,308	1,105	84.5
NEVADA	0			394	358	90.9	525	423	80.6	0			919	781	85.0
NEW HAMPSHIRE	0			271	243	89.7	450	356	79.1	4	4	100.0	725	603	83.2
NEW JERSEY	542	445	82.1	1,246	903	72.5	1,419	1,155	81.4	0			3,207	2,503	78.0
NEW MEXICO	0			239	192	80.3	851	677	79.6	0			1,090	869	79.7
NEW YORK	10	7	70.0	3,448	2,768	80.3	6,152	4,734	77.0	0			9,610	7,509	78.1
NORTH CAROLINA	136	130	95.6	1,432	1,270	88.7	2,422	2,070	85.5	0			3,990	3,470	87.0
NORTH DAKOTA	0			377	322	85.4	95	81	85.3	0			472	403	85.4
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLAND	0			0			20	5	25.0	0			20	5	25.0
OHIO	190	86	45.3	3,431	2,844	82.9	5,257	4,186	79.6	0			8,878	7,116	80.2
OKLAHOMA	0			849	729	85.9	1,226	997	81.3	4	1	25.0	2,079	1,727	83.1
OREGON	0			782	684	87.5	597	544	91.1	0			1,379	1,228	89.1
PENNSYLVANIA	1,014	886	87.4	3,343	2,870	85.9	2,973	2,476	83.3	7	6	85.7	7,337	6,238	85.0
RHODE ISLAND	27	27	100.0	354	319	90.1	347	289	83.3	0			728	635	87.2
SOUTH CAROLINA	0			986	840	85.2	1,308	1,152	88.1	3	3	100.0	2,297	1,995	86.9
SOUTH DAKOTA	0			478	425	88.9	383	297	77.5	0			861	722	83.9
TENNESSEE	0			2,036	1,789	87.9	1,563	1,327	84.9	0			3,599	3,116	86.6
TEXAS	132	120	90.9	4,826	4,100	85.0	6,416	5,094	79.4	0			11,374	9,314	81.9
UTAH	0			388	356	91.8	1,151	921	80.0	0			1,539	1,277	83.0
VERMONT	0			103	93	90.3	223	170	76.2	0			326	263	80.7
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			13	6	46.2	17	14	82.4	0			30	20	66.7
VIRGINIA	193	165	85.5	1,700	1,435	84.4	2,156	1,763	81.8	0			4,049	3,363	83.1
WASHINGTON	0			908	774	85.2	1,672	1,452	86.8	0			2,580	2,226	86.3
WEST VIRGINIA – RN	0			504	408	81.0	618	512	82.8	0			1,122	920	82.0
WISCONSIN	0			1,455	1,266	87.0	1,724	1,535	89.0	0			3,179	2,801	88.1
WYOMING	0			67	57	85.1	252	228	90.5	0			319	285	89.3
TOTAL	2,840	2,369	83.4	65,402	55,708	85.2	86,805	70,678	81.4	48	36	75.0	155,095	128,791	83.0

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Country of Education	Jan. 1 - Mar. 31, 2013			Apr. 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALBANIA	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	8	0	0.0
ALGERIA	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
ANTIGUA AND BARBUDA	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
ARGENTINA	1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0	0			0			3	2	66.7
ARMENIA	9	2	22.2	7	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	10	2	20.0	29	4	13.8
AUSTRALIA	11	8	72.7	16	9	56.3	12	9	75.0	13	5	38.5	52	31	59.6
AUSTRIA	0			1	1	100.0	0			3	1	33.3	4	2	50.0
AZERBAIJAN	0			2	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
BAHAMAS	0			0			1	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	4	2	50.0
BANGLADESH	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
BARBADOS	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	5	0	0.0
BELARUS	5	2	40.0	3	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0	11	3	27.3
BELGIUM	0			0			0			2	2	100.0	2	2	100.0
BELIZE	2	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	0			9	0	0.0
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	0			0			3	1	33.3
BOTSWANA	0			0			0			2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
BRAZIL	5	1	20.0	3	1	33.3	4	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	15	4	26.7
BULGARIA	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	5	2	40.0
BURKINA FASO	0			0			0			2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
CAMEROON	8	2	25.0	8	1	12.5	13	1	7.7	6	2	33.3	35	6	17.1
CANADA	125	95	76.0	147	100	68.0	159	101	63.5	140	85	60.7	571	381	66.7
CHILE	1	1	100.0	0			0			4	3	75.0	5	4	80.0
CHINA	39	12	30.8	19	6	31.6	32	8	25.0	27	9	33.3	117	35	29.9
COLOMBIA	3	0	0.0	4	1	25.0	4	0	0.0	7	2	28.6	18	3	16.7
CONGO, THE REPUBLIC OF	1	1	100.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3
COSTA RICA	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	5	2	40.0
CUBA	22	4	18.2	25	8	32.0	29	8	27.6	33	2	6.1	109	22	20.2
CZECH REPUBLIC	0			1	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0

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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
DENMARK	1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	2	0	0.0	0			6	2	33.3
DJIBOUTI	1	1	100.0	0			0			0			1	1	100.0
DOMINICA	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			3	0	0.0
DOMINICAN REPUBLIC	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
ECUADOR	1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
EGYPT	1	1	100.0	0			1	0	0.0	0			2	1	50.0
EL SALVADOR	1	0	0.0	0			4	1	25.0	0			5	1	20.0
ERITREA	3	2	66.7	1	0	0.0	0			6	2	33.3	10	4	40.0
ESTONIA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
ETHIOPIA	19	5	26.3	18	6	33.3	13	2	15.4	15	6	40.0	65	19	29.2
FINLAND	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	0			0			3	0	0.0
FRANCE	3	3	100.0	1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	4	1	25.0	11	6	54.5
GAMBIA	1	0	0.0	4	2	50.0	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	9	3	33.3
GEORGIA	1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	6	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	11	1	9.1
GERMANY	8	4	50.0	5	3	60.0	8	5	62.5	4	1	25.0	25	13	52.0
GHANA	11	2	18.2	14	3	21.4	19	2	10.5	21	6	28.6	65	13	20.0
GRENADA	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
GUATEMALA	2	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	4	1	25.0
GUINEA	1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
GUYANA	2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	4	1	25.0	12	1	8.3
HAITI	23	4	17.4	22	0	0.0	24	1	4.2	14	2	14.3	83	7	8.4
HONDURAS	1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	3	0	0.0
HONG KONG	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
INDIA	257	55	21.4	205	42	20.5	214	32	15.0	225	39	17.3	901	168	18.6
INDONESIA	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
IRAN	6	3	50.0	12	5	41.7	10	2	20.0	14	4	28.6	42	14	33.3
IRELAND	1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3	1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0	7	3	42.9
ISRAEL	3	3	100.0	3	2	66.7	7	5	71.4	8	6	75.0	21	16	76.2

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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ITALY	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	7	2	28.6
JAMAICA	10	3	30.0	14	8	57.1	22	5	22.7	26	9	34.6	72	25	34.7
JAPAN	13	3	23.1	16	1	6.3	11	2	18.2	14	5	35.7	54	11	20.4
JORDAN	12	1	8.3	6	1	16.7	8	0	0.0	10	1	10.0	36	3	8.3
KAZAKHSTAN	0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
KENYA	2	0	0.0	4	1	25.0	4	1	25.0	6	3	50.0	16	5	31.3
KOREA, NORTH	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
KOREA, SOUTH	106	46	43.4	129	49	38.0	123	50	40.7	124	59	47.6	482	204	42.3
KYRGYZSTAN	1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	0			0			2	2	100.0
LEBANON	2	2	100.0	5	2	40.0	6	3	50.0	2	1	50.0	15	8	53.3
LIBERIA	2	0	0.0	6	1	16.7	4	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	14	1	7.1
LITHUANIA	1	1	100.0	0			0			0			1	1	100.0
MALAWI	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
MALAYSIA	2	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	0			5	1	20.0
MEXICO	9	1	11.1	8	1	12.5	17	1	5.9	9	0	0.0	43	3	7.0
MOLDOVA	2	2	100.0	0			0			2	0	0.0	4	2	50.0
MONGOLIA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
MONTSERRAT	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
MOROCCO	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
MYANMAR	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	4	0	0.0
NEPAL	33	12	36.4	29	11	37.9	34	14	41.2	29	8	27.6	125	45	36.0
NETHERLANDS	3	2	66.7	1	0	0.0	0			0			4	2	50.0
NEW ZEALAND	6	2	33.3	2	2	100.0	3	1	33.3	1	1	100.0	12	6	50.0
NICARAGUA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
NIGER	1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
NIGERIA	49	15	30.6	43	3	7.0	39	10	25.6	55	10	18.2	186	38	20.4
NORWAY	0			0			0			2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0
OMAN	1	0	0.0	0			0			3	2	66.7	4	2	50.0

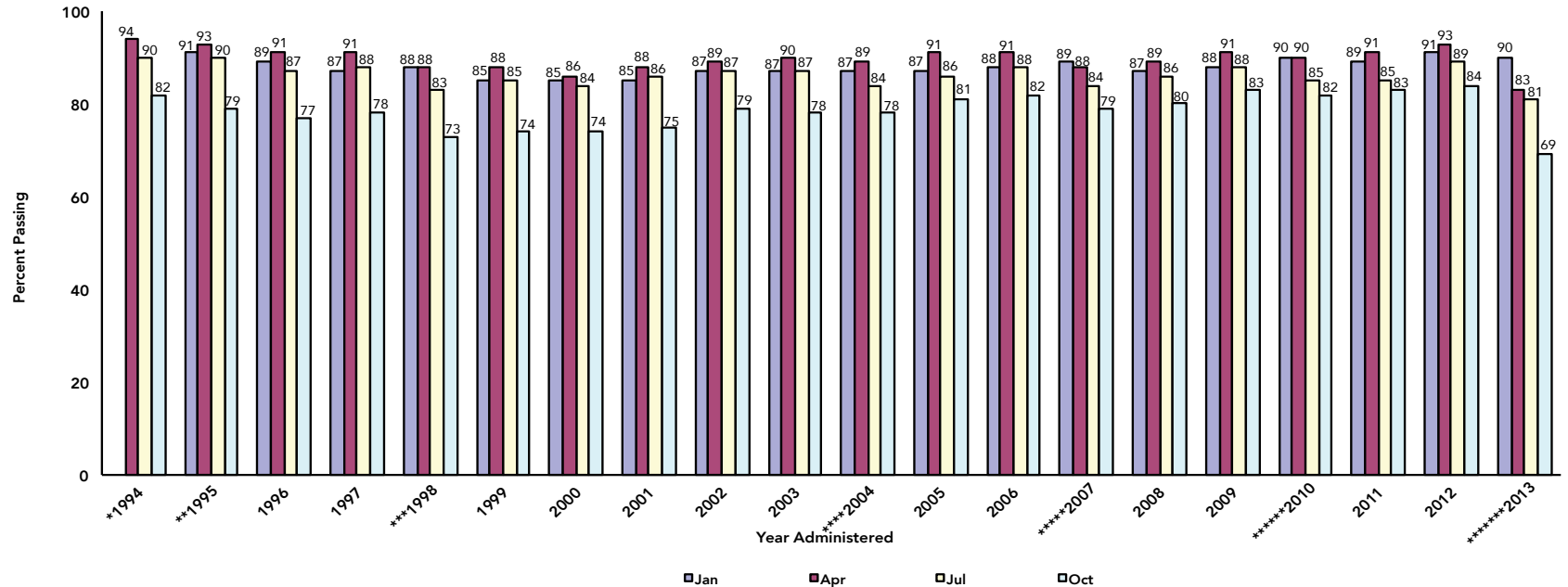
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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
PAKISTAN	8	3	37.5	9	2	22.2	7	1	14.3	4	0	0.0	28	6	21.4
PALESTINIAN TERRITORY, OCCUPIED	1	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	0			2	1	50.0
PANAMA	0			0			1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0	3	1	33.3
PARAGUAY	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
PERU	0			3	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	6	0	0.0
PHILIPPINES	806	279	34.6	834	237	28.4	824	226	27.4	938	257	27.4	3402	999	29.4
POLAND	6	2	33.3	6	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	19	2	10.5
PORTUGAL	0			2	1	50.0	2	0	0.0	3	2	66.7	7	3	42.9
PUERTO RICO	118	43	36.4	112	20	17.9	104	23	22.1	147	36	24.5	481	122	25.4
QATAR	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
ROMANIA	3	1	33.3	9	1	11.1	7	2	28.6	6	1	16.7	25	5	20.0
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	23	10	43.5	16	4	25.0	35	9	25.7	29	7	24.1	103	30	29.1
SAINT KITTS AND NEVIS	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
SAINT LUCIA	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	4	0	0.0
SAINT VINCENT AND THE GRENADINES	0			2	0	0.0	0			0			2	0	0.0
SAUDI ARABIA	5	1	20.0	7	2	28.6	8	2	25.0	9	1	11.1	29	6	20.7
SERBIA	1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			3	1	33.3
SIERRA LEONE	5	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	12	0	0.0
SINGAPORE	2	1	50.0	2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			5	1	20.0
SOUTH AFRICA	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	1	50.0	5	2	40.0
SPAIN	7	6	85.7	5	4	80.0	1	1	100.0	4	1	25.0	17	12	70.6
SRI LANKA	3	1	33.3	1	0	0.0	0			0			4	1	25.0
SURINAME	1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
SWEDEN	4	2	50.0	4	1	25.0	3	2	66.7	1	1	100.0	12	6	50.0
SWITZERLAND	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
SYRIA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
TAIWAN	11	3	27.3	17	4	23.5	14	4	28.6	8	2	25.0	50	13	26.0
TANZANIA	3	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	6	1	16.7

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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
THAILAND	10	5	50.0	9	0	0.0	13	0	0.0	6	2	33.3	38	7	18.4
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	1	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	0			0			5	0	0.0
TURKEY	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	4	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	7	1	14.3
TURKMENISTAN	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	1	50.0
UGANDA	0			0			3	1	33.3	1	1	100.0	4	2	50.0
UKRAINE	18	5	27.8	9	2	22.2	9	2	22.2	10	3	30.0	46	12	26.1
UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	0			2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	0			3	1	33.3
UNITED KINGDOM	19	6	31.6	22	6	27.3	26	8	30.8	19	9	47.4	86	29	33.7
URUGUAY	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	1	50.0
UZBEKISTAN	13	2	15.4	5	0	0.0	10	0	0.0	11	1	9.1	39	3	7.7
VENEZUELA	3	1	33.3	0			1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	5	2	40.0
VIET NAM	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			3	0	0.0
YEMEN	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
ZAMBIA	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
ZIMBABWE	1	1	100.0	0			0			1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0
TOTAL	1,930	680	35.2	1,913	568	29.7	1,958	555	28.3	2,100	616	29.3	7,901	2,419	30.6

Figure 1. NCLEX-RN® Pass Rates for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates



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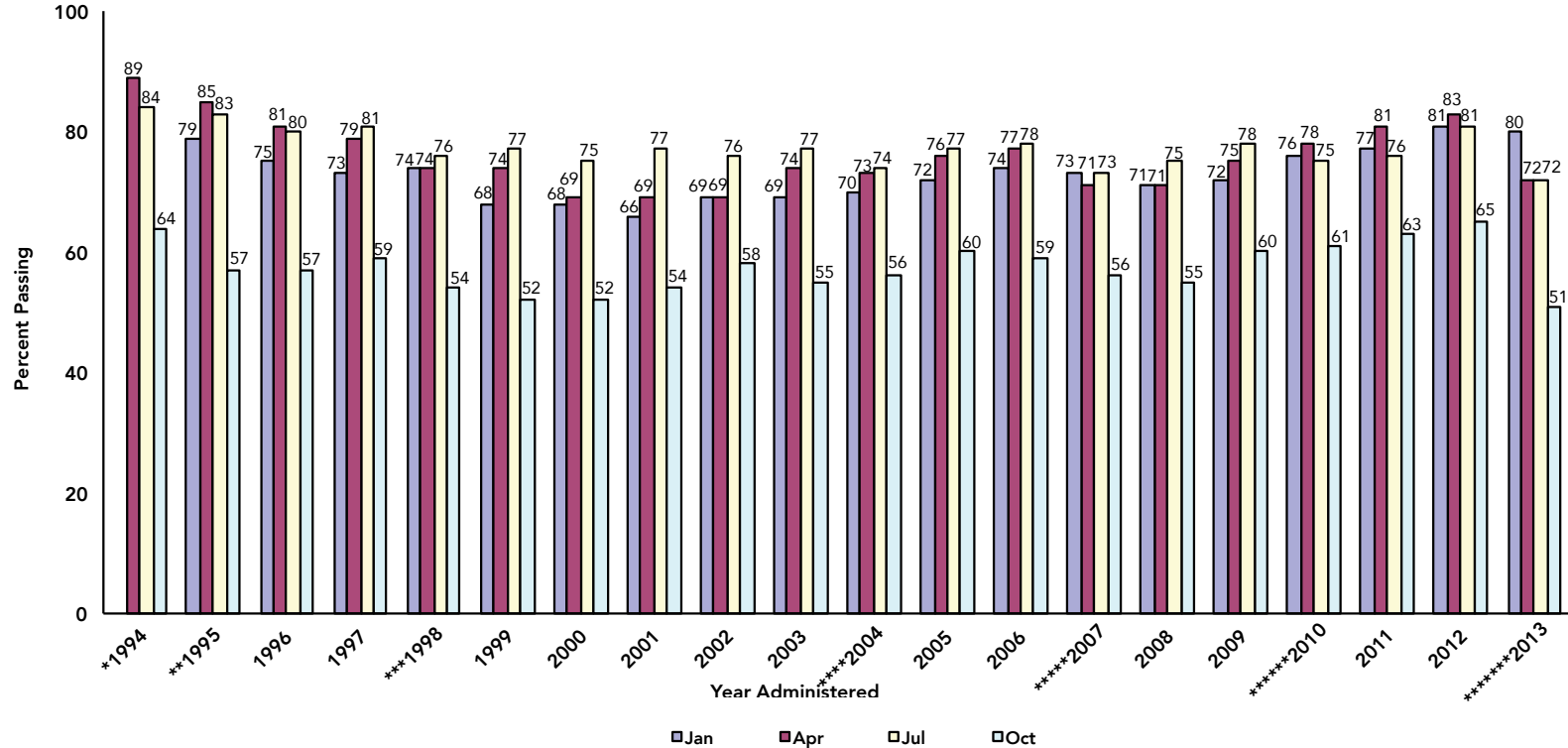
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Figure 2. NCLEX-RN® Pass Rates for All Candidates



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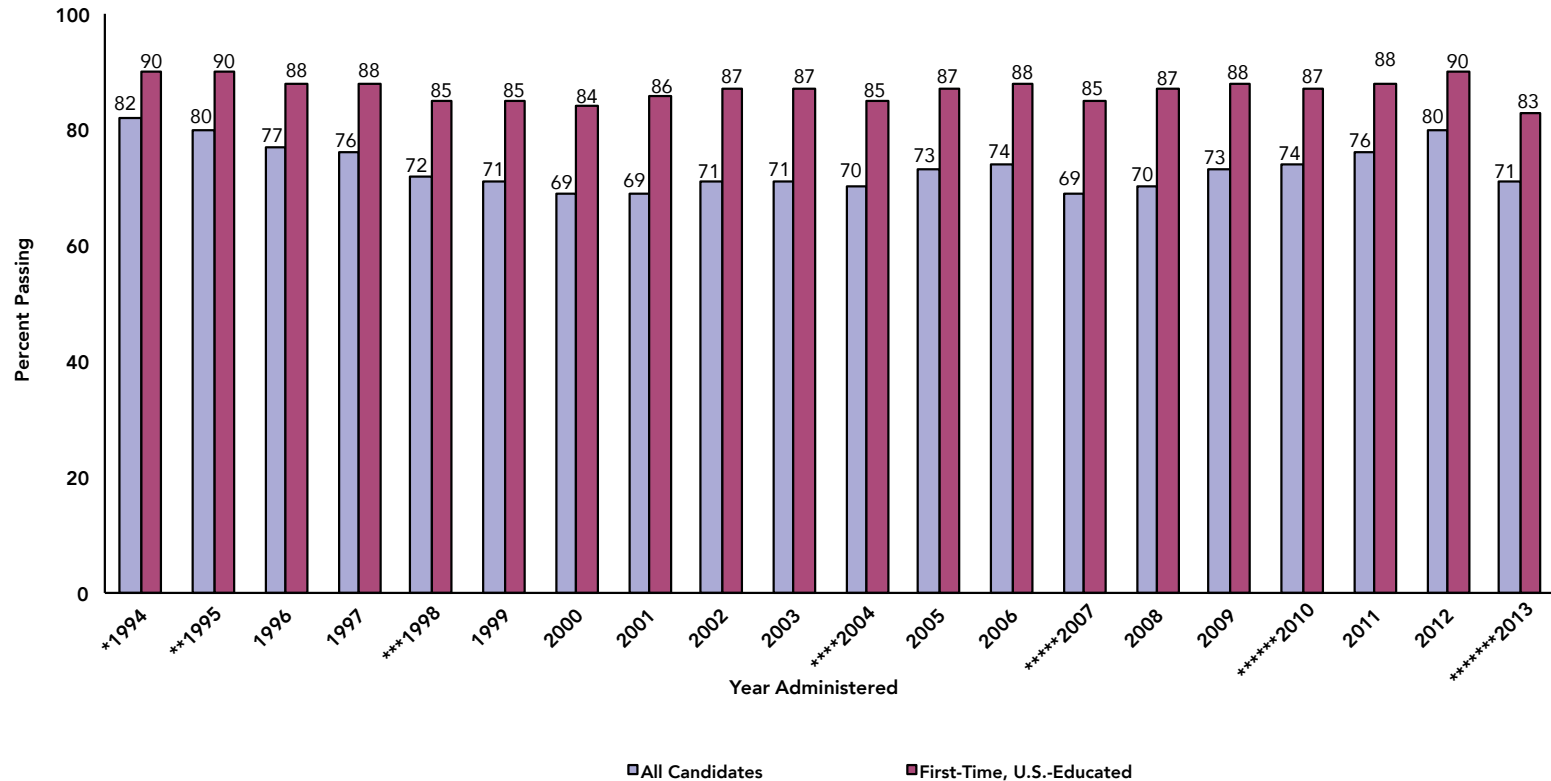
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Figure 3. NCLEX-RN® Annual Pass Rates, April 1994 - December 2013



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Figure 4. NCLEX-RN® Volume for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

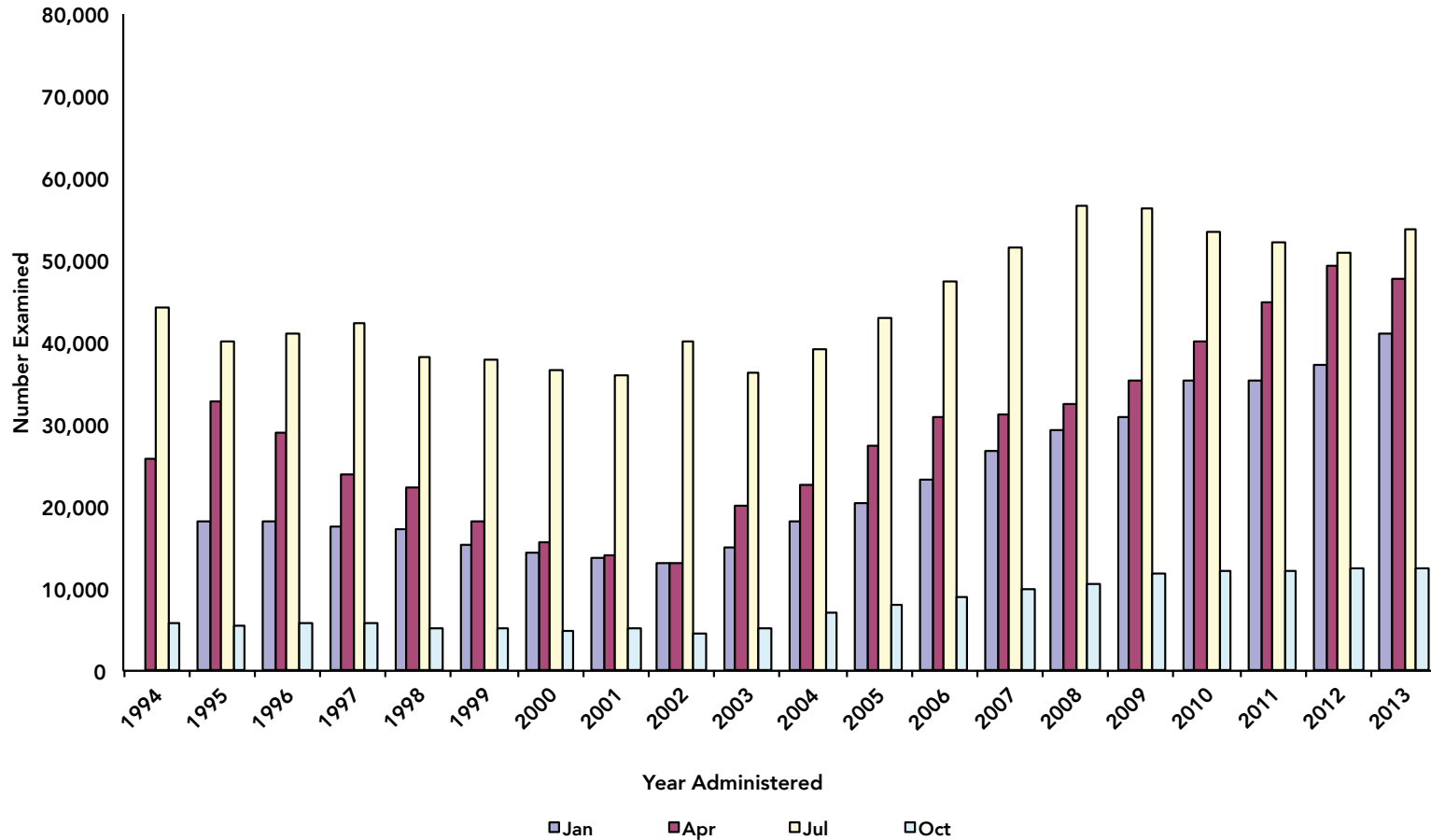


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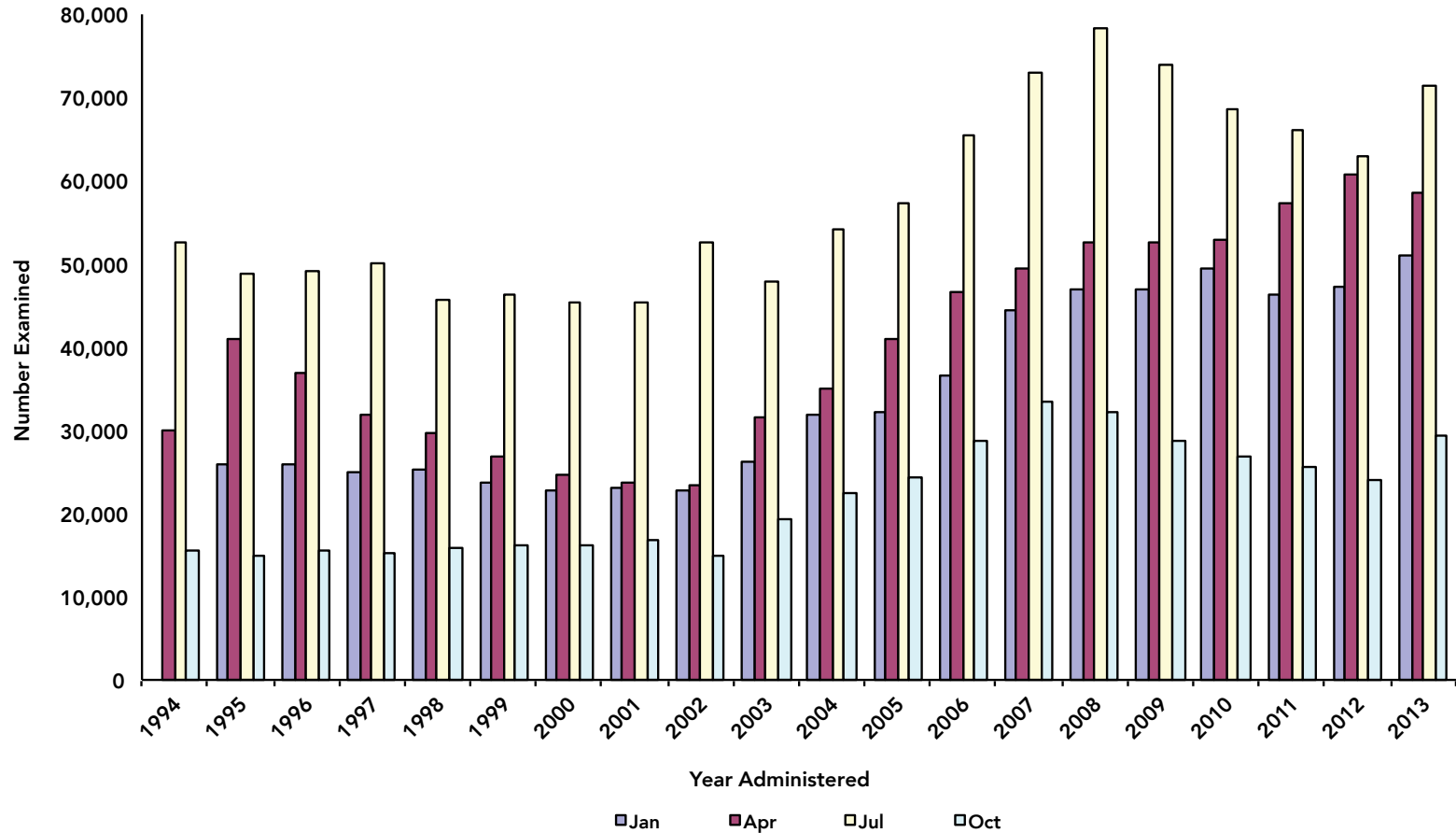


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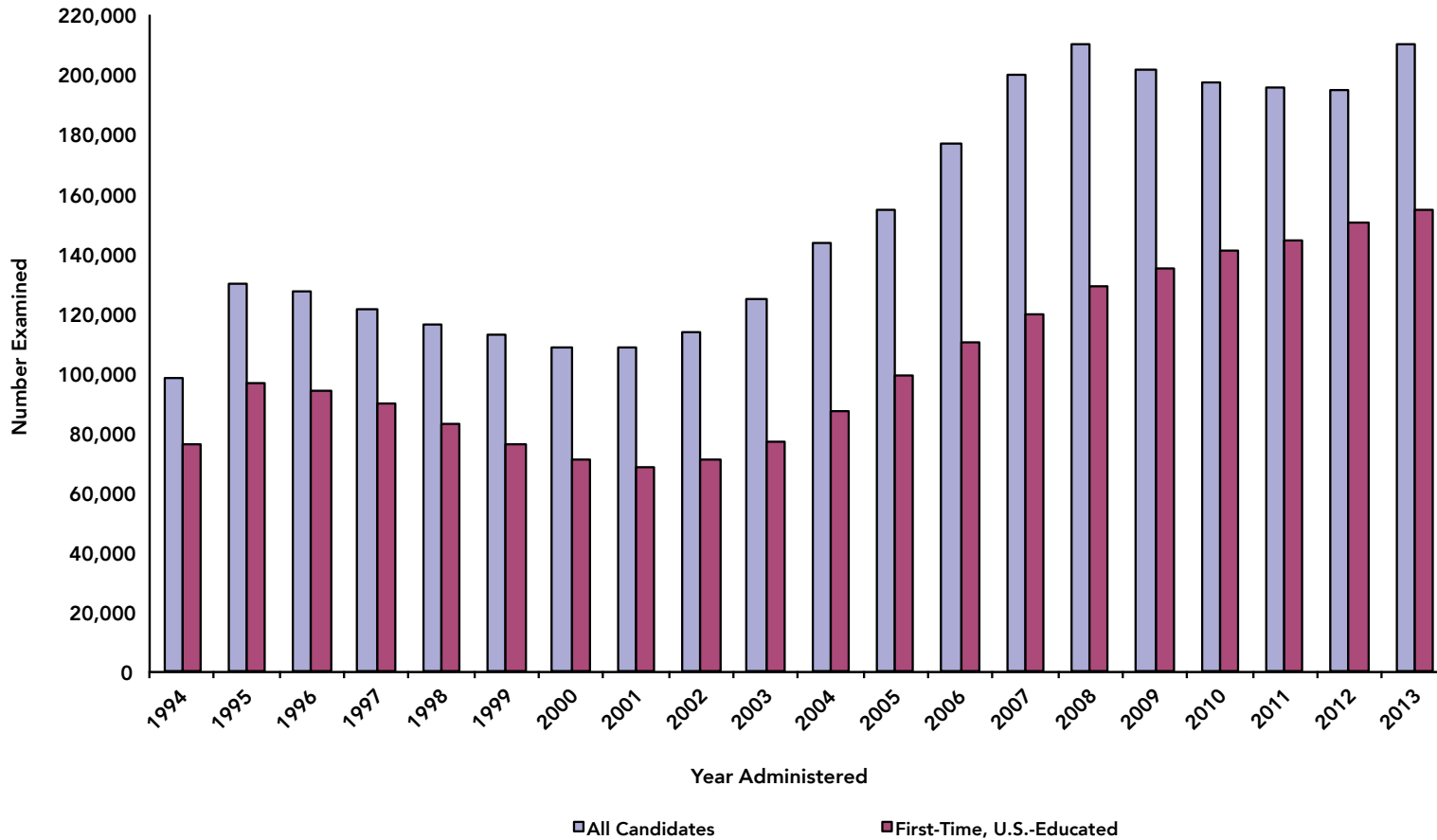


Table 9. Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-PN® Examination: Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013 ¹															
Type of Candidate	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013			April 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
First-Time, U.S.-Educated	13,650	11,487	84.1	12,208	10,155	83.1	20,696	18,178	87.8	12,021	9,754	81.1	58,575	49,574	84.6
Repeat, U.S.-Educated	3,514	1,293	36.8	3,953	1,371	34.7	3,642	1,272	34.9	3,842	1,385	36.1	14,951	5,321	35.6
First-Time, Internationally Educated	208	109	52.4	252	117	46.4	277	121	43.7	218	116	53.2	955	463	48.5
Repeat, Internationally Educated	193	30	15.5	198	30	15.2	209	33	15.8	199	42	21.1	799	135	16.9
All Candidates	17,565	12,919	73.6	16,611	11,673	70.3	24,824	19,604	79.0	16,280	11,297	69.4	75,280	55,493	73.7

¹ Performance of PN Educational Programs. The following is a summary of the 2013 NCLEX pass rates for U.S. PN education programs based upon first-time candidate performance: In 2013, 1,628 U.S. PN programs had at least one first-time candidate. The mean pass rate for those programs was 84.0% (SD 21.7%). When including only those programs with at least 10 first-time examinees (N=1,342), the mean pass rate was 86.3% (SD 15.9%).

Table 10. Summary Statistics for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

NCLEX-PN®	January - December 2013
Passing Standard ¹	-0.27
Estimated Decision Consistency ²	0.908
Average Test Length ³	113
Percent of Candidates Taking the Minimum Number of Items	57.0%
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Number of Items	14.7%
Average Testing Time ⁴	2 hours, 12 minutes
Percent of Candidates Taking the Maximum Amount of Time	1.5%

¹ The NCLEX-PN scale uses logits as the unit of measurement. Logits is short for log-odds-units. These units have no inherent meaning with regard to nursing content and, in fact, have an arbitrary zero point, but logits are practical because the probability of a correct response can easily be computed when the candidate's ability and the item's difficulty are known. Typically, the logit range on the NCLEX-PN scale is from -2.00 (easy items or low ability candidates) to 2.00 (difficult items or high ability candidates).

² Estimated decision consistency is an indicator of reliability. Conceptually, it is the proportion of pass-fail decisions that would remain the same if the same population were retested immediately after their first test (assuming no learning or fatigue effects) using a different set of items.

³ NCLEX-PN Examinations consist of 85 to 205 items.

⁴ The standard amount of allotted testing time for the NCLEX-PN Examination is five hours.

Table 11. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)

Jurisdiction	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013			April 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
ALABAMA	332	303	91.3	115	100	87.0	254	245	96.5	116	103	88.8	817	751	91.9
ALASKA	8	8	100.0	2	2	100.0	10	10	100.0	3	1	33.3	23	21	91.3
AMERICAN SAMOA	2	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0	0			4	0	0.0
ARIZONA	105	102	97.1	119	112	94.1	173	166	96.0	94	83	88.3	491	463	94.3
ARKANSAS	299	269	90.0	114	105	92.1	533	501	94.0	114	101	88.6	1,060	976	92.1
CALIFORNIA – VN	1,646	1,190	72.3	1,858	1,392	74.9	1,982	1,444	72.9	2,249	1,694	75.3	7,735	5,720	73.9
COLORADO	50	46	92.0	73	72	98.6	195	187	95.9	69	62	89.9	387	367	94.8
CONNECTICUT	108	97	89.8	177	149	84.2	109	101	92.7	152	130	85.5	546	477	87.4
DELAWARE	74	48	64.9	85	50	58.8	90	72	80.0	30	14	46.7	279	184	65.9
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	70	33	47.1	54	22	40.7	42	11	26.2	27	19	70.4	193	85	44.0
FLORIDA	1,095	813	74.2	928	693	74.7	1,327	1,045	78.7	1,040	758	72.9	4,390	3,309	75.4
GEORGIA – PN	338	306	90.5	160	142	88.8	380	350	92.1	215	185	86.0	1,093	983	89.9
GUAM	1	1	100.0	11	7	63.6	3	2	66.7	1	1	100.0	16	11	68.8
HAWAII	46	46	100.0	6	6	100.0	32	31	96.9	51	47	92.2	135	130	96.3
IDAHO	49	45	91.8	25	25	100.0	99	98	99.0	16	14	87.5	189	182	96.3
ILLINOIS	399	340	85.2	293	234	79.9	781	709	90.8	313	282	90.1	1,786	1,565	87.6
INDIANA	283	258	91.2	192	165	85.9	281	255	90.7	206	171	83.0	962	849	88.3
IOWA	241	230	95.4	234	222	94.9	505	481	95.2	121	107	88.4	1,101	1,040	94.5
KANSAS	245	214	87.3	450	415	92.2	239	216	90.4	93	78	83.9	1,027	923	89.9
KENTUCKY	314	292	93.0	230	210	91.3	212	200	94.3	160	148	92.5	916	850	92.8
LOUISIANA – PN	423	370	87.5	347	313	90.2	251	224	89.2	66	54	81.8	1,087	961	88.4
MAINE	51	16	31.4	77	20	26.0	62	31	50.0	43	15	34.9	233	82	35.2
MARYLAND	40	39	97.5	29	25	86.2	94	90	95.7	68	64	94.1	231	218	94.4
MASSACHUSETTS	79	71	89.9	49	42	85.7	685	634	92.6	102	77	75.5	915	824	90.1
MICHIGAN	373	344	92.2	309	282	91.3	431	413	95.8	322	280	87.0	1,435	1,319	91.9
MINNESOTA	481	442	91.9	609	562	92.3	549	488	88.9	139	127	91.4	1,778	1,619	91.1
MISSISSIPPI	189	165	87.3	31	24	77.4	392	362	92.3	31	23	74.2	643	574	89.3
MISSOURI	295	271	91.9	106	95	89.6	745	701	94.1	224	198	88.4	1,370	1,265	92.3

Table 11. First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)

Jurisdiction	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013			April 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
MONTANA	35	35	100.0	29	26	89.7	40	40	100.0	1	1	100.0	105	102	97.1
NEBRASKA	69	66	95.7	67	62	92.5	141	131	92.9	42	38	90.5	319	297	93.1
NEVADA	26	22	84.6	35	29	82.9	20	17	85.0	23	15	65.2	104	83	79.8
NEW HAMPSHIRE	44	44	100.0	48	45	93.8	70	63	90.0	20	14	70.0	182	166	91.2
NEW JERSEY	586	431	73.5	714	520	72.8	644	472	73.3	533	396	74.3	2,477	1,819	73.4
NEW MEXICO	25	21	84.0	51	44	86.3	67	66	98.5	25	25	100.0	168	156	92.9
NEW YORK	347	248	71.5	428	330	77.1	1,474	1,249	84.7	842	663	78.7	3,091	2,490	80.6
NORTH CAROLINA	160	143	89.4	139	127	91.4	561	542	96.6	179	151	84.4	1,039	963	92.7
NORTH DAKOTA	21	16	76.2	57	55	96.5	83	79	95.2	13	12	92.3	174	162	93.1
NORTHERN MARIANA IS.	0			1	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	2	1	50.0
OHIO	823	687	83.5	724	608	84.0	1,312	1,139	86.8	903	738	81.7	3,762	3,172	84.3
OKLAHOMA	249	220	88.4	192	172	89.6	518	487	94.0	173	155	89.6	1,132	1,034	91.3
OREGON	74	66	89.2	113	99	87.6	131	121	92.4	159	144	90.6	477	430	90.1
PENNSYLVANIA	634	564	89.0	391	328	83.9	761	684	89.9	684	586	85.7	2,470	2,162	87.5
RHODE ISLAND	6	6	100.0	2	2	100.0	21	21	100.0	21	21	100.0	50	50	100.0
SOUTH CAROLINA	142	127	89.4	106	93	87.7	220	208	94.5	156	145	92.9	624	573	91.8
SOUTH DAKOTA	34	31	91.2	18	14	77.8	133	122	91.7	18	16	88.9	203	183	90.1
TENNESSEE	268	242	90.3	416	376	90.4	394	371	94.2	376	314	83.5	1,454	1,303	89.6
TEXAS	1,542	1,334	86.5	955	806	84.4	1,809	1,623	89.7	1,095	905	82.6	5,401	4,668	86.4
UTAH	118	115	97.5	194	190	97.9	125	122	97.6	32	30	93.8	469	457	97.4
VERMONT	1	1	100.0	2	2	100.0	136	134	98.5	4	4	100.0	143	141	98.6
VIRGIN ISLANDS	0			1	1	100.0	3	0	0.0	3	0	0.0	7	1	14.3
VIRGINIA	341	263	77.1	372	290	78.0	594	485	81.6	285	218	76.5	1,592	1,256	78.9
WASHINGTON	134	128	95.5	190	181	95.3	311	304	97.7	180	155	86.1	815	768	94.2
WEST VIRGINIA – PN	56	48	85.7	31	26	83.9	273	248	90.8	83	75	90.4	443	397	89.6
WISCONSIN	262	253	96.6	234	228	97.4	341	329	96.5	98	89	90.8	935	899	96.1
WYOMING	17	17	100.0	15	15	100.0	56	54	96.4	7	7	100.0	95	93	97.9
TOTAL	13,650	11,487	83.7	12,208	10,155	83.2	20,696	18,178	87.8	12,021	9,754	81.1	58,575	49,574	84.6

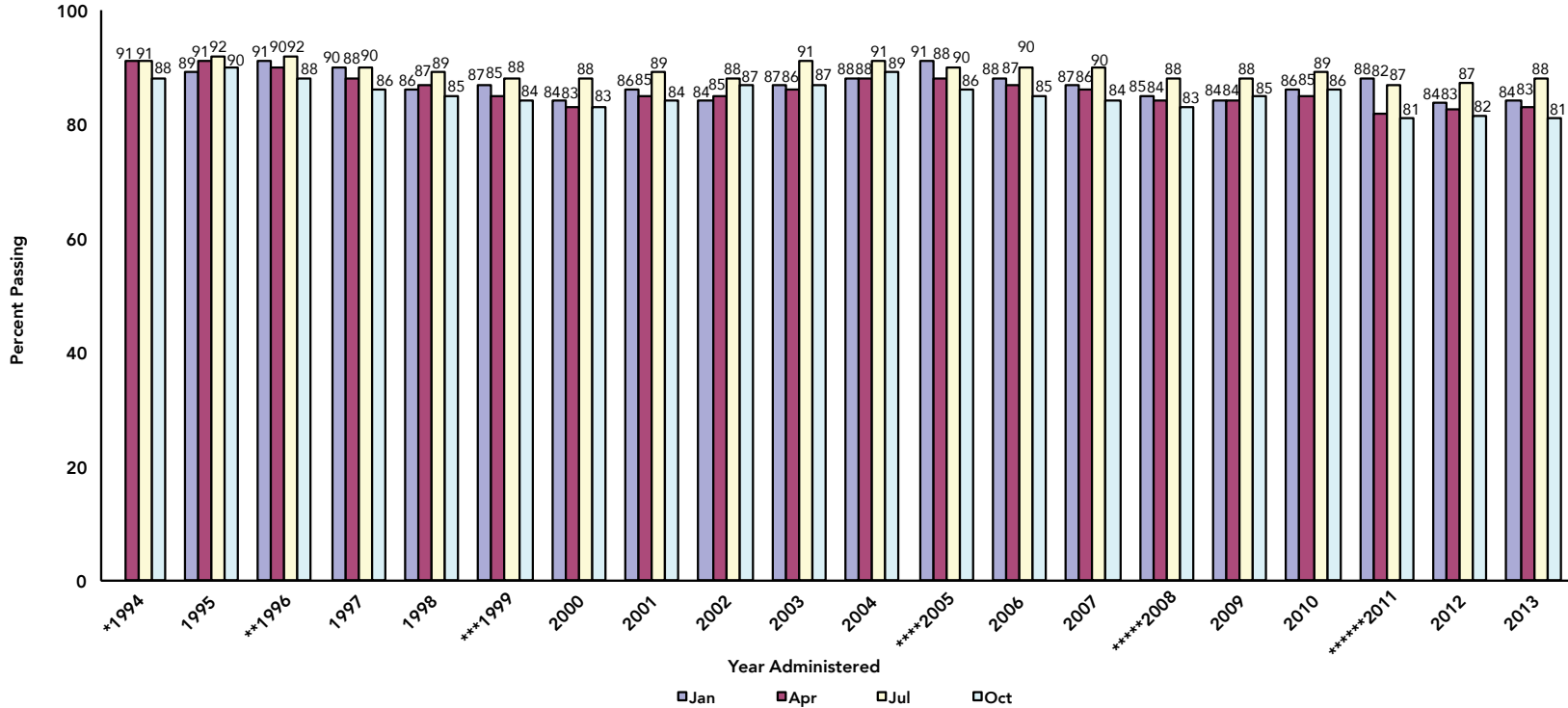
Table 12. First-Time, Internationally Educated Candidates Taking the NCLEX-PN® Examination, by Country of Education (Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013)

Country of Education	Jan. 1 - March 31, 2013			April 1 - June 30, 2013			July 1 - Sept. 30, 2013			Oct. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013			Total Jan. 1 - Dec. 31, 2013		
	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
AUSTRALIA	0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	2	100.0
AUSTRIA	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
BELARUS	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
BULGARIA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
BURKINA FASO	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
CAMEROON	0			0			1	0	0.0	2	1	50.0	3	1	33.3
CANADA	11	9	81.8	16	9	56.3	11	8	72.7	8	4	50.0	46	30	65.2
CHINA	2	1	50.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	2	100.0	5	3	60.0
COLOMBIA	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	1	50.0
CUBA	12	4	33.3	8	1	12.5	11	2	18.2	9	1	11.1	40	8	20.0
ECUADOR	0			0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
ERITREA	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
ETHIOPIA	2	1	50.0	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3	8	4	50.0
GAMBIA	2	1	50.0	0			1	0	0.0	0			3	1	33.3
GEORGIA	0			2	0	0.0	0			1	1	100.0	3	1	33.3
GERMANY	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
GHANA	0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			2	0	0.0
GUYANA	0			1	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	3	1	33.3
HAITI	1	0	0.0	5	1	20.0	8	4	50.0	6	5	83.3	20	10	50.0
INDIA	19	8	42.1	16	8	50.0	23	10	43.5	21	6	28.6	79	32	40.5
INDONESIA	0			0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
ISRAEL	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
ITALY	0			1	1	100.0	0			0			1	1	100.0
JAMAICA	1	1	100.0	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	3	1	33.3	7	4	57.1
JAPAN	0			1	0	0.0	0			0			1	0	0.0
KAZAKHSTAN	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
KENYA	2	2	100.0	2	2	100.0	0			2	1	50.0	6	5	83.3

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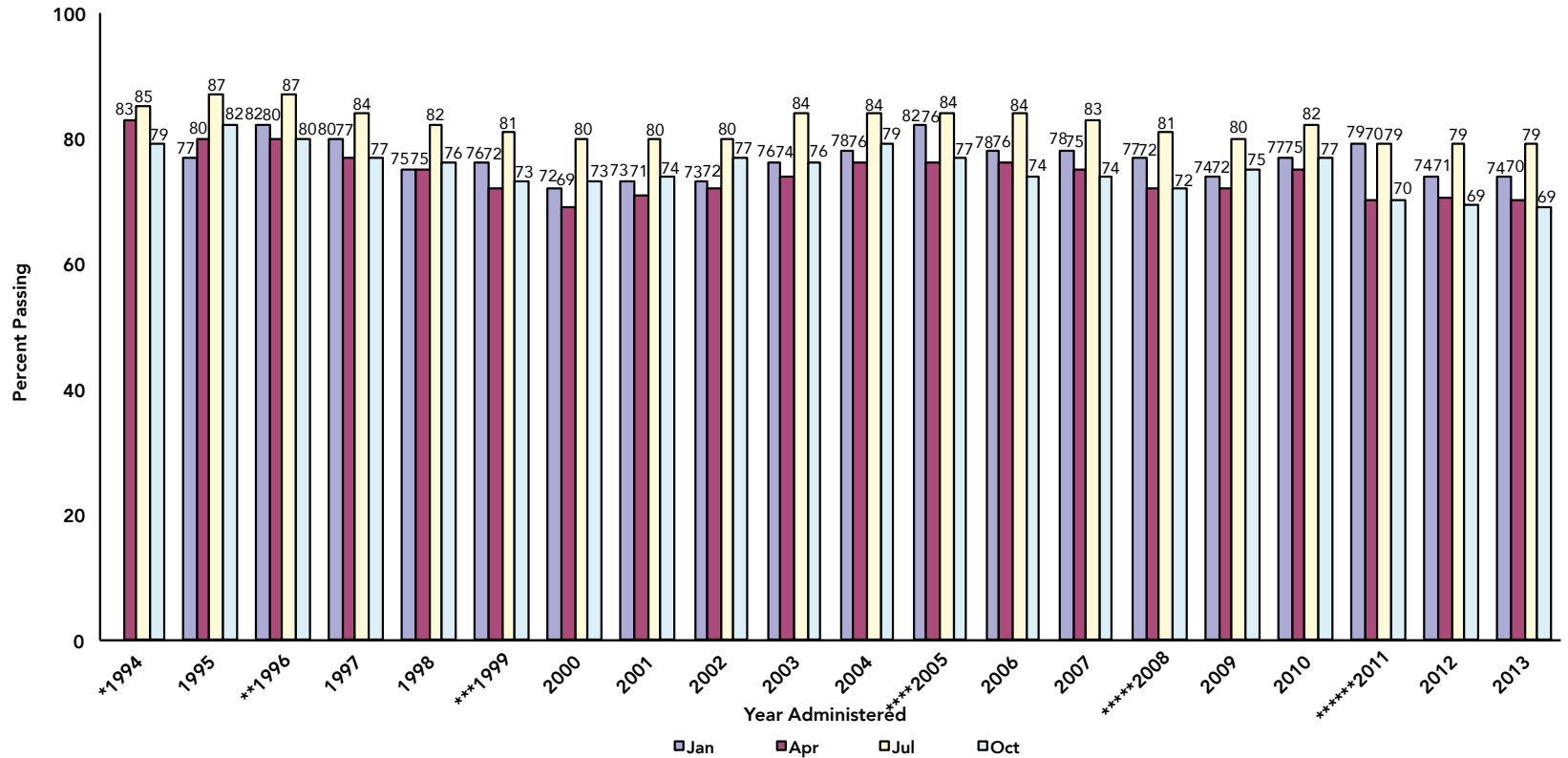
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	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%	Candidates	Passed	%
LIBERIA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
MALAYSIA	0			0			1	1	100.0	0			1	1	100.0
MEXICO	1	0	0.0	2	2	100.0	1	0	0.0	0			4	2	50.0
MOLDOVA	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
NEPAL	0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	2	100.0
NIGERIA	3	2	66.7	3	1	33.3	5	3	60.0	5	3	60.0	16	9	56.3
PAKISTAN	0			0			0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0
PANAMA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
PERU	0			1	1	100.0	1	1	100.0	0			2	2	100.0
PHILIPPINES	136	78	57.4	167	84	50.3	184	80	43.5	144	85	59.0	631	327	51.8
POLAND	0			0			4	3	75.0	0			4	3	75.0
PUERTO RICO	3	0	0.0	6	1	16.7	5	1	20.0	1	0	0.0	15	2	13.3
ROMANIA	0			0			2	1	50.0	1	1	100.0	3	2	66.7
RUSSIAN FEDERATION	2	1	50.0	2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	7	2	28.6
SERBIA	3	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			5	0	0.0
SIERRA LEONE	2	0	0.0	2	0	0.0	1	1	100.0	2	0	0.0	7	1	14.3
SRI LANKA	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
TAIWAN	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO	1	0	0.0	0			0			0			1	0	0.0
TURKEY	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
UGANDA	0			0			1	0	0.0	0			1	0	0.0
UKRAINE	0			2	0	0.0	1	0	0.0	0			3	0	0.0
UNITED KINGDOM	0			0			0			1	0	0.0	1	0	0.0
UZBEKISTAN	2	1	50.0	0			0			0			2	1	50.0
TOTAL	208	109	52.4	252	117	46.4	277	121	43.7	218	116	53.2	955	463	48.5

Figure 7. NCLEX-PN® Pass Rates for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates



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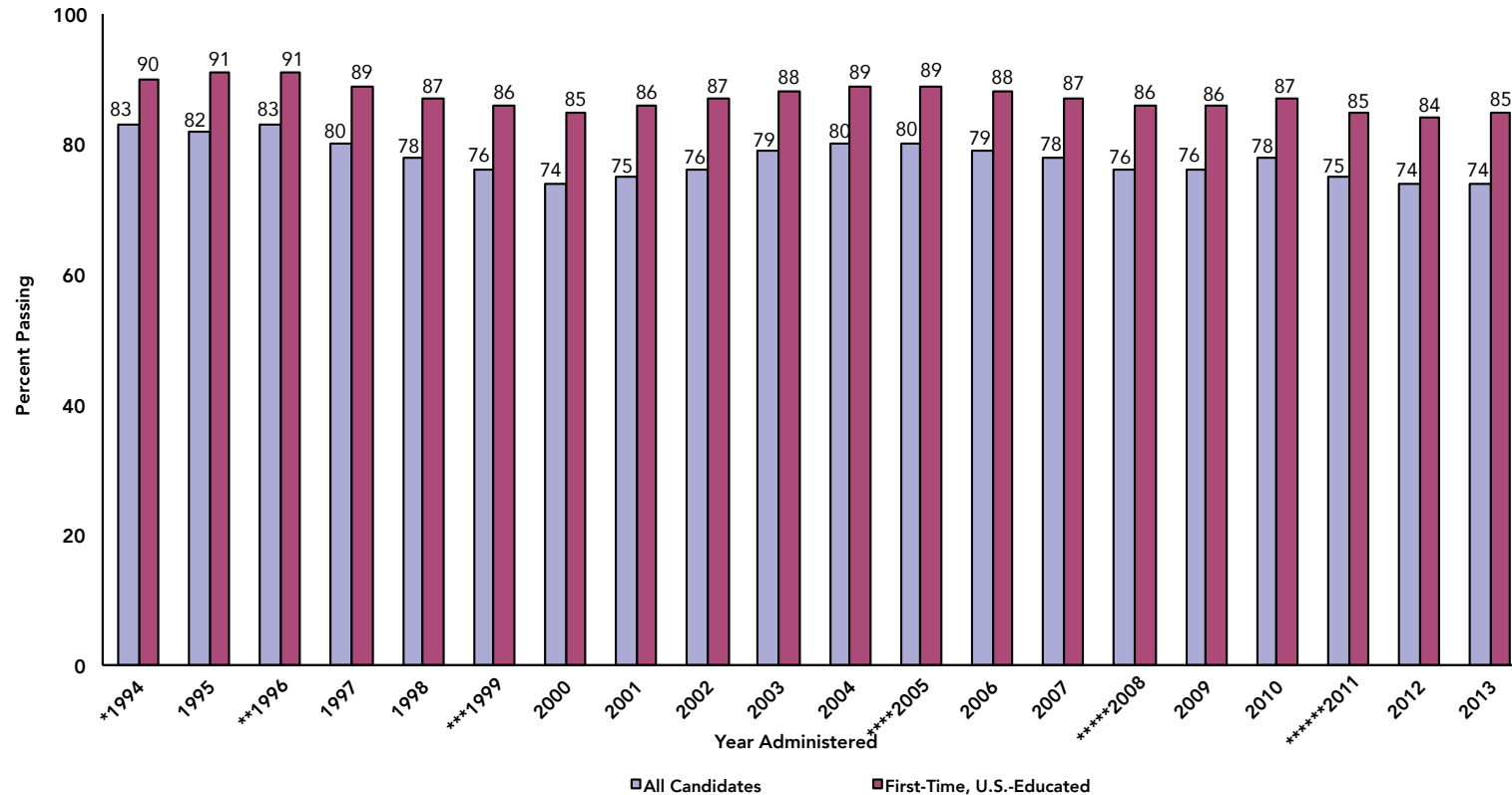
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Figure 10. NCLEX-PN® Volume for First-Time, U.S.-Educated Candidates

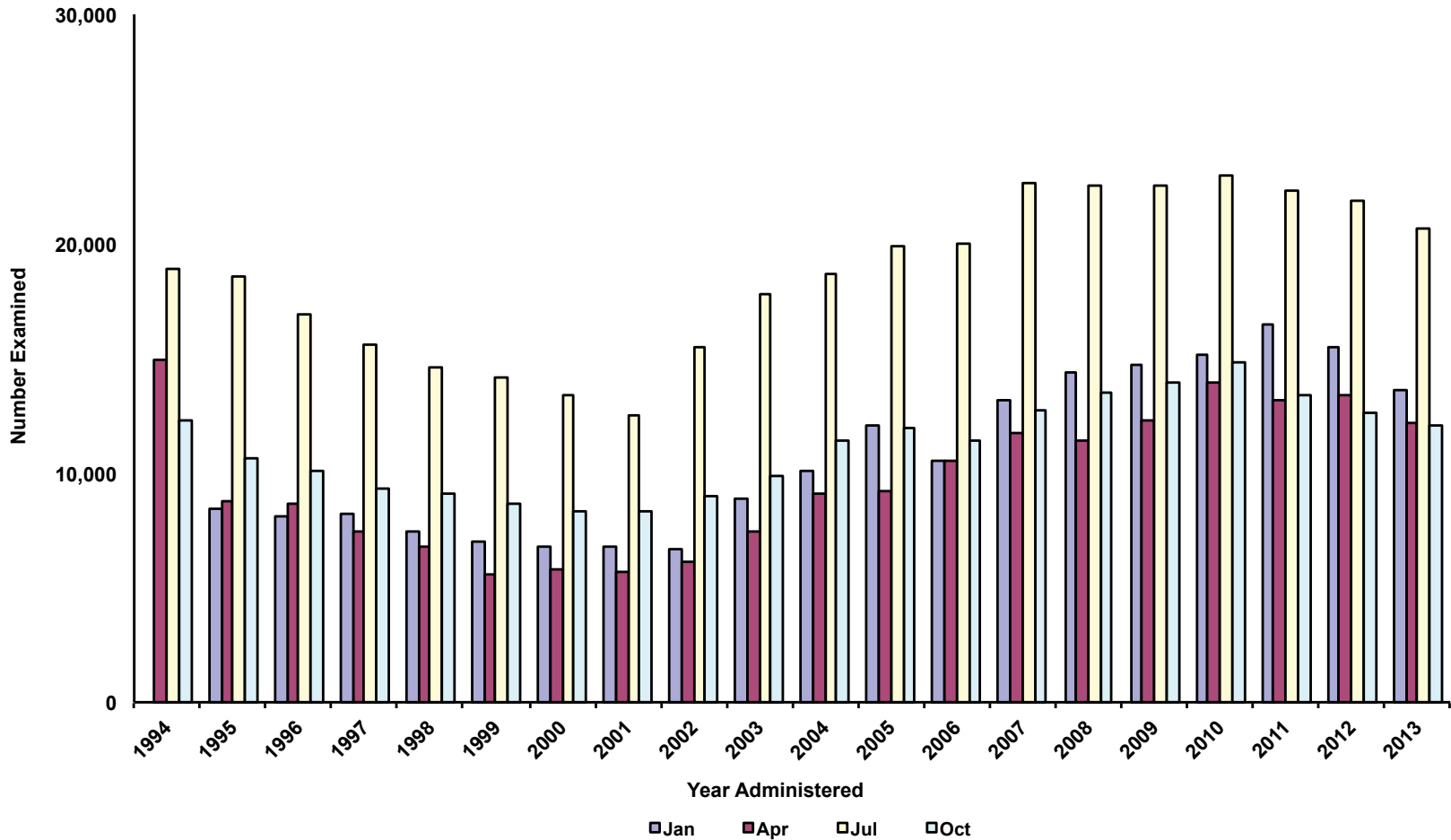


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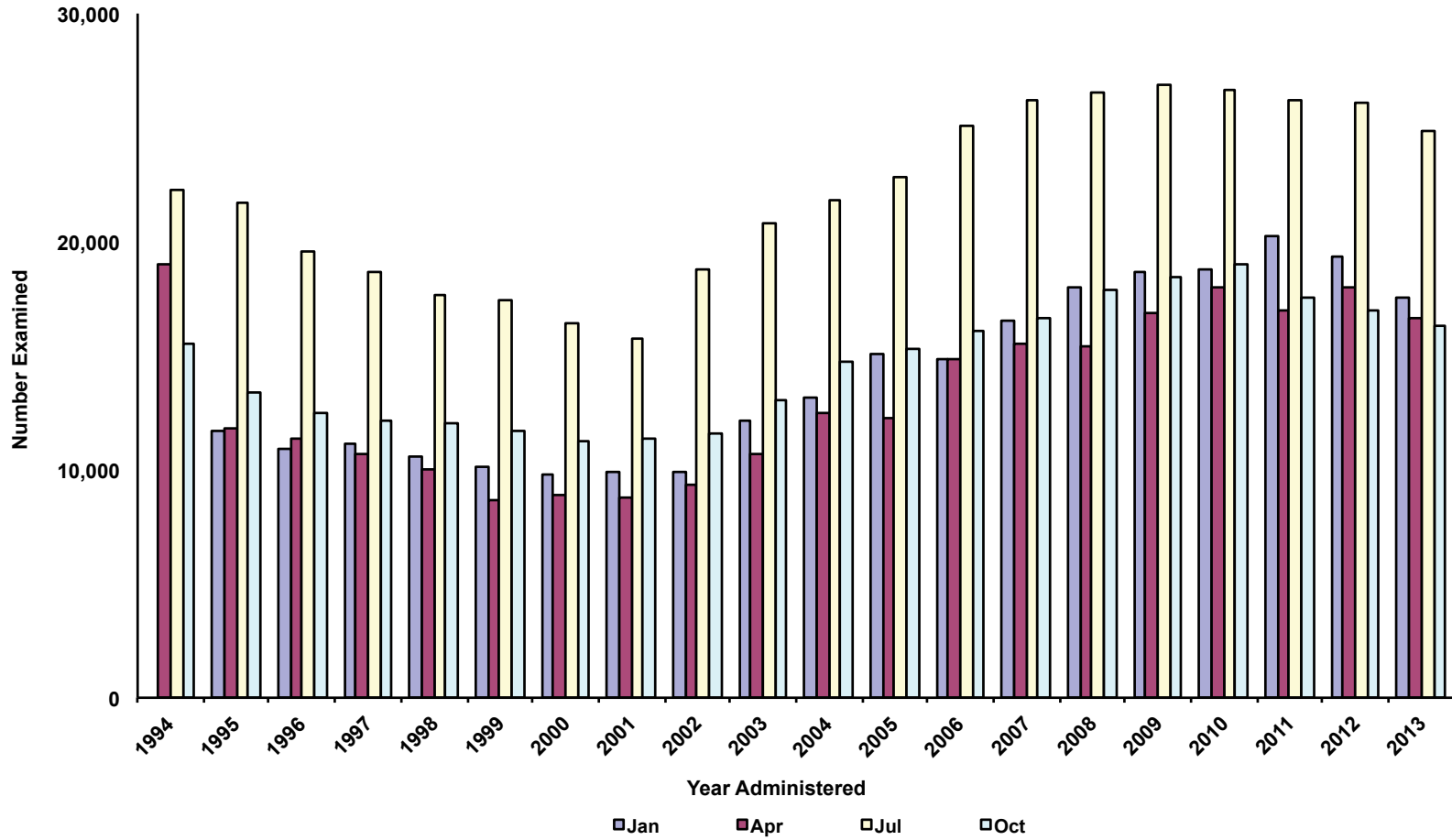
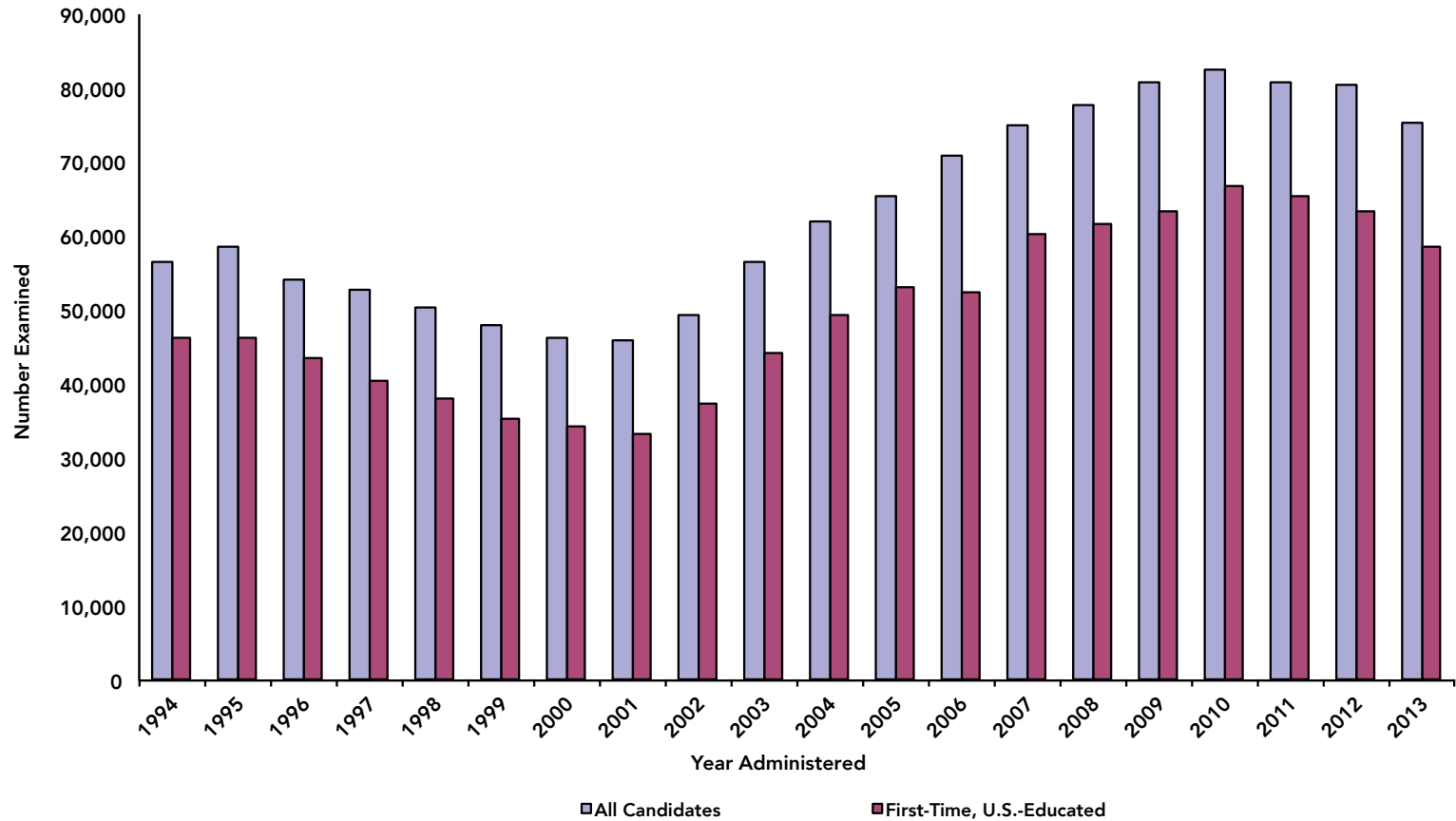


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