

1983-1994¹

Paper and Pencil NCLEX-PN® Results

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

PN Type of Candidate	1983		1984		1985		1986		1987		1988	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated	45,023	92.3%	44,474	92.3%	40,903	90.8%	34,784	88.6%	32,112	87.7%	32,882	88.0%
Repeat, US Educated	5,911	43.1%	5,401	42.5%	5,603	40.3%	6,127	42.3%	5,985	41.3%	6,742	42.0%
First Time, Foreign Educated	2,316	68.1%	2,279	50.8%	767	53.2%	1,323	40.4%	1,874	45.2%	2,292	52.4%
Repeat, Foreign Educated	1,572	28.6%	1,637	41.0%	733	23.2%	1,621	17.1%	2,383	19.4%	2,468	18.6%
All Candidates	54,822	84.2%	53,791	84.0%	48,006	83.2%	43,855	78.1%	42,354	75.4%	44,384	75.3%

PN Type of Candidate	1989		1990		1991		1992		1993		1994 ¹	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated	38,089	88.6%	42,191	88.0%	46,947	87.9%	49,142	89.6%	51,980	89.4%		
Repeat, US Educated	7,467	40.9%	7,966	41.3%	10,872	40.9%	11,139	39.7%	9,033	37.7%		
First Time, Foreign Educated	2,995	53.5%	2,786	52.2%	2,794	45.5%	2,651	41.6%	2,880	42.2%		
Repeat, Foreign Educated	3,209	23.1%	3,469	19.0%	4,117	23.1%	4,375	15.8%	5,054	20.5%		
All Candidates	51,760	75.7%	56,412	75.4%	64,730	74.1%	67,307	74.7%	68,947	75.6%		

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RN Type of Candidate	1983		1984		1985		1986		1987		1988	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated	77,433	90.0%	80,547	89.2%	81,519	89.8%	78,767	91.6%	72,397	90.4%	65,746	84.4%
Repeat, US Educated	11,850	48.8%	13,420	52.0%	14,431	53.5%	13,423	56.7%	12,184	52.8%	12,531	45.0%
First Time, Foreign Educated	6,949	36.9%	6,471	46.6%	5,060	39.0%	5,671	49.0%	6,398	43.0%	7,894	41.9%
Repeat, Foreign Educated	11,741	17.3%	13,141	21.5%	11,563	12.5%	12,358	21.5%	12,635	13.1%	13,057	14.8%
All Candidates	107,973	74.1%	113,579	74.5%	112,573	74.9%	110,219	77.3%	103,614	73.6%	99,228	66.9%

RN Type of Candidate	1989		1990		1991		1992		1993		1994 ¹	
	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated	61,936	86.3%	65,997	90.8%	72,479	91.2%	81,414	92.4%	88,594	91.1%	22,469	89.9%
Repeat, US Educated	17,276	53.5%	16,260	51.8%	11,977	51.0%	12,298	53.1%	12,115	52.6%	7,548	56.1%
First Time, Foreign Educated	8,915	40.4%	10,832	39.4%	11,334	48.7%	11,703	50.1%	10,874	51.5%	5,853	50.4%
Repeat, Foreign Educated	15,564	14.8%	18,225	15.1%	20,594	23.2%	20,352	18.7%	20,188	21.9%	9,440	16.2%
All Candidates	103,691	66.1%	111,314	67.7%	116,384	70.9%	125,767	72.7%	131,771	73.7%	45,310	63.8%

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