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INTRODUCTION

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc., is committed to maintaining itself as a clearinghouse of information on the activities of its sixty-two Member Boards of Nursing. This publication represents a continuation of the National Council's efforts to be responsive to the information needs of its Member Boards of Nursing and the public whom they protect through the regulation of nursing practice at the state level.

Provided in this publication are the 1992 statistics on the licensing activities of the National Council's Member Boards and on the National Council's two licensure examinations, the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN)™ and the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN)™. These examinations are each administered twice a year by Member Boards to test licensure candidates' capabilities to provide minimally safe and effective nursing care.

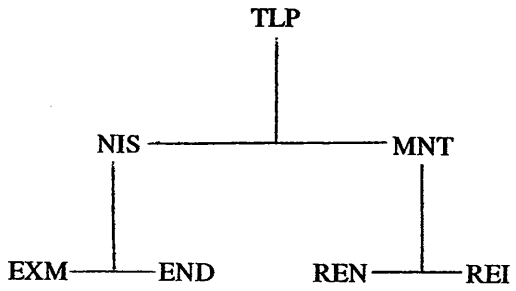
PART I

1992 LICENSURE STATISTICS

INTRODUCTION TO PART I: 1992 LICENSURE STATISTICS

The data reported in this section were obtained from the 62 Member Boards of the National Council of State Boards of Nursing. They were requested to provide data that indicated licensure processing activity during 1992 and data on the total number of individuals licensed to practice within the jurisdiction during 1992.

The varied licensure procedures and methods which exist among the Member Boards of Nursing have been classified according to the common licensure practices in which each Member Board engages to fulfill its mission. Processing activity is the focal point about which the data are organized. As the figure below illustrates, four basic processing activities (Examination, Endorsement, Renewal, and Reinstatement), within two functional areas (New in State Functions and Maintenance Functions) represent the sources which contribute to the measure of the Total Number of Licenses Processed.



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

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

DEFINITIONS:

REINSTATEMENT is defined as the reactivation of revoked, suspended, or lapsed licenses and is not considered part of routine renewal.

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

REPORTING CONVENTIONS:

For easy reading and speedy reference, all tables which display individual Member Board figures contain two columns headed ID (Identification Number) and JD (Jurisdiction). **TABLE I** lists the National Council's Member Boards, their identification number (ID), the geographic locality within which a board has responsibility for regulating nursing practice (JD), the types of licenses for which a board has licensing authority, and whether they are empowered to issue licenses or certificates to practice in a specialty area of nursing.

Unless noted otherwise, all percentages are calculated in terms of column totals.

Table 1. Boards of Nursing Empowered to License Registered Nurses, Practical/Vocational Nurses, or Other Categories of Nursing Personnel

ID	JD	Board of Nursing	RN	PN/VN	Other Specialty Groups
1	AL	Alabama Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
2	AK	Alaska Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
3	AZ	Arizona State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
4	AR	Arkansas State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
5	CARN	California Board of Registered Nursing	YES	NO	YES
6	CAVN	California Board of Vocational Nursing	NO	YES	NO
7	CO	Colorado Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
8	CT	Connecticut Board of Examiners for Nursing	YES	YES	YES
9	DE	Delaware Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
10	DC	District of Columbia Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
11	FL	Florida Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
12	GARN	Georgia Board of Nursing	YES	NO	YES
13	GAPN	Georgia State Board of Licensed Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
14	GU	Guam Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
15	HI	Hawaii Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
16	ID	Idaho Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
17	IL	Illinois Department of Professional Regulation	YES	YES	NO
18	IN	Indiana State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
19	IA	Iowa Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
20	KS	Kansas Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
21	KY	Kentucky Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
22	LARN	Louisiana State Board of Nursing	YES	NO	YES
23	LAPN	Louisiana State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
24	ME	Maine State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
25	MD	Maryland Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
26	MA	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing	YES	YES	YES
27	MI	Michigan Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
28	MN	Minnesota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
29	MS	Mississippi Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
30	MO	Missouri State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
31	MT	Montana State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
32	NE	Nebraska Bureau of Examining Boards	YES	YES	YES
33	NV	Nevada State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
34	NH	New Hampshire Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
35	NJ	New Jersey Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
36	NM	New Mexico Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
37	NY	New York State Board for Nursing	YES	YES	YES
38	NC	North Carolina Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
39	ND	North Dakota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
40	OH	Ohio Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
41	OK	Oklahoma Board of Nurse Registration & Nursing Education	YES	YES	YES
42	OR	Oregon State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
43	PA	Pennsylvania Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
44	RI	Rhode Island Board of Nurse Registration & Nursing Education	YES	YES	YES

Table 1. Boards of Nursing Empowered to License Registered Nurses, Practical/Vocational Nurses, or Other Categories of Nursing Personnel

ID	JD	Board of Nursing	RN	PN/VN	Other Specialty Groups
45	SC	South Carolina State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
46	SD	South Dakota Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
47	TN	Tennessee State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	NO
48	TXRN	Texas Board of Nursing Examiners	YES	NO	YES
49	TXVN	Texas Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners	NO	YES	NO
50	UT	Utah State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
51	VT	Vermont State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
52	VA	Virginia State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
53	VI	Virgin Islands Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
54	WARN	Washington State Board of Nursing	YES	NO	YES
55	WAPN	Washington State Board of Practical Nursing	NO	YES	NO
56	WVRN	West Virginia Board of Examiners for Registered Nurses	YES	NO	YES
57	WVPN	West Virginia State Board of Examiners for Practical Nurses	NO	YES	NO
58	WI	Wisconsin Bureau of Health Professions	YES	YES	YES
59	WY	Wyoming State Board of Nursing	YES	YES	YES
60	AS	American Samoa Health Service Regulatory Board	YES	YES	YES
61	CM	Commonwealth Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES
62	PR	Commonwealth of Puerto Rico Board of Nurse Examiners	YES	YES	YES

Summary
Registered Nurse Licenses Processed

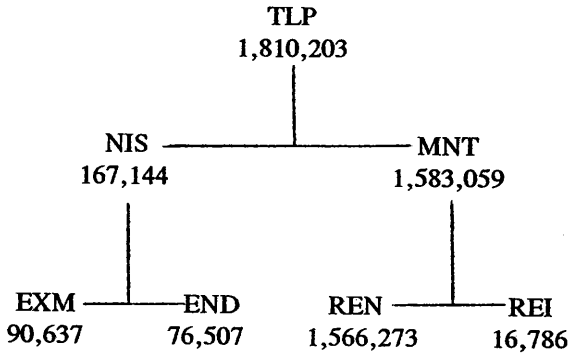

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Table 2. Registered Nurses: Total Licenses Processed, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	New in State n	New in State %	Maintenance n	Maintenance %	Total Processed n	Total Processed %
1	AL	3166	1.89	32603	2.06	35769	1.98
2	AK	674	0.40	4287	0.27	4961	0.27
3	AZ	3190	1.91	33816	2.14	37006	2.04
4	AR	1738	1.04	9913	0.63	11651	0.64
5	CARN	12686	7.59	112371	7.10	125057	6.91
6	CAVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
7	CO	3068	1.84	16253	1.03	19321	1.07
8	CT	1894	1.13	51296	3.24	53190	2.94
9	DE	770	0.46	126	0.01	896	0.05
10	DC						a
11	FL	9977	5.97	1263	0.08	11240	0.62
12	GARN	4859	2.91	54748	3.46	59607	3.29
13	GAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
14	GU	80	0.05	13	0.00	93	0.01
15	HI	1483	0.89	2	0.00	1485	0.08
16	ID	889	0.53	8194	0.52	69083	3.82
17	IL	5955	3.56	118539	7.49	124494	6.88
18	IN	3638	2.18	8	0.00	3646	0.20
19	IA	1962	1.17	9061	0.57	11023	0.61
20	KS	2164	1.29	12118	0.77	14282	0.79
21	KY	3060	1.83	33127	2.09	36187	2.00
22	LARN	4164	2.49	31323	1.98	35487	1.96
23	LAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
24	ME	956	0.57	13028	0.82	13984	0.77
25	MD	3630	2.17	49566	3.13	53196	2.94
26	MA	3433	2.05	87898	5.55	91331	5.05
27	MI	4828	2.89	544	0.03	5372	0.30
28	MN	2774	1.66	23997	1.52	26771	1.48
29	MS	1693	1.01	17800	1.12	19493	1.08
30	MO	3307	1.98	56886	3.59	60193	3.33
31	MT	736	0.44	10945	0.69	11681	0.65
32	NE	983	0.59	398	0.03	1381	0.08
33	NV	1418	0.85	5962	0.38	7380	0.41
34	NH	1234	0.74	7955	0.50	9189	0.51
35	NJ	5041	3.02	71033	4.49	76074	4.20
36	NM	1482	0.89	1847	0.12	3329	0.18
37	NY	9987	5.98	190635	12.04	200622	11.08
38	NC	5471	3.27	32808	2.07	38279	2.11
39	ND	413	0.25	6960	0.44	7373	0.41
40	OH	6280	3.76	945	0.06	7225	0.40
41	OK	2145	1.28	21629	1.37	23774	1.31
42	OR	2163	1.29	14454	0.91	16617	0.92
43	PA	6700	4.01	140050	8.85	146750	8.11
44	RI	815	0.49	7005	0.44	7820	0.43
45	SC	2961	1.77	25935	1.64	28896	1.60
46	SD	709	0.42	4101	0.26	4810	0.27
47	TN	4924	2.95	50300	3.18	55224	3.05
48	TXRN	11185	6.69	60194	3.80	71379	3.94
49	TXVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
50	UT	1530	0.92	50	0.00	1580	0.09
51	VT	510	0.31	0	0.00	510	0.03
52	VA	4802	2.87	28956	1.83	33758	1.86
53	VI	256	0.15	4	0.00	260	0.01
54	WARN	3240	1.94	47213	2.98	50453	2.79
55	WAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
56	WVRN	1451	0.87	19283	1.22	20734	1.15
57	WVPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58	WI	3133	1.87	52060	3.29	55193	3.05
59	WY	764	0.46	3479	0.22	4243	0.23
60	AS	4	0.00	40	0.00	44	0.00
61	CM	33	0.02	38	0.00	71	0.00
62	PR	736	0.44	0	0.00	736	0.04
		167144	100.00	1583059	100.00	1810203	100.00

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Table 3. Registered Nurses: New in State Functions, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	Examination n	Examination %	Endorsement n	Endorsement %	New in State n	New in State %
1	AL	1758	1.94	1408	1.84	3166	1.89
2	AK	97	0.11	577	0.75	674	0.40
3	AZ	906	1.00	2284	2.99	3190	1.91
4	AR	1059	1.17	679	0.89	1738	1.04
5	CARN	8130	8.97	4556	5.96	12686	7.59
6	CAVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
7	CO	1065	1.18	2003	2.62	3068	1.84
8	CT	995	1.10	899	1.18	1894	1.13
9	DE	294	0.32	476	0.62	770	0.46
10	DC						a
11	FL	4477	4.94	5500	7.19	9977	5.97
12	GARN	2118	2.34	2741	3.58	4859	2.91
13	GAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
14	GU	20	0.02	60	0.08	80	0.05
15	HI	349	0.39	1134	1.48	1483	0.89
16	ID	315	0.35	574	0.75	889	0.53
17	IL	4053	4.47	1902	2.49	5955	3.56
18	IN	2103	2.32	1535	2.01	3638	2.18
19	IA	1365	1.51	597	0.78	1962	1.17
20	KS	1149	1.27	1015	1.33	2164	1.29
21	KY	1724	1.90	1336	1.75	3060	1.83
22	LARN	1710	1.89	2454	3.21	4164	2.49
23	LAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
24	ME	396	0.44	560	0.73	956	0.57
25	MD	1619	1.79	2011	2.63	3630	2.17
26	MA	2146	2.37	1287	1.68	3433	2.05
27	MI	3533	3.90	1295	1.69	4828	2.89
28	MN	1914	2.11	860	1.12	2774	1.66
29	MS	1084	1.20	609	0.80	1693	1.01
30	MO	2204	2.43	1103	1.44	3307	1.98
31	MT	279	0.31	457	0.60	736	0.44
32	NE	619	0.68	364	0.48	983	0.59
33	NV	260	0.29	1158	1.51	1418	0.85
34	NH	342	0.38	892	1.17	1234	0.74
35	NJ	2317	2.56	2724	3.56	5041	3.02
36	NM	541	0.60	941	1.23	1482	0.89
37	NY	8368	9.23	1619	2.12	9987	5.98
38	NC	2596	2.86	2875	3.76	5471	3.27
39	ND	234	0.26	179	0.23	413	0.25
40	OH	4400	4.85	1880	2.46	6280	3.76
41	OK	1239	1.37	906	1.18	2145	1.28
42	OR	787	0.87	1376	1.80	2163	1.29
43	PA	4500	4.96	2200	2.88	6700	4.01
44	RI	520	0.57	295	0.39	815	0.49
45	SC	1166	1.29	1795	2.35	2961	1.77
46	SD	413	0.46	296	0.39	709	0.42
47	TN	2027	2.24	2897	3.79	4924	2.95
48	TXRN	5789	6.39	5396	7.05	11185	6.69
49	TXVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
50	UT	680	0.75	850	1.11	1530	0.92
51	VT	156	0.17	354	0.46	510	0.31
52	VA	1934	2.13	2868	3.75	4802	2.87
53	VI	17	0.02	239	0.31	256	0.15
54	WARN	1406	1.55	1834	2.40	3240	1.94
55	WAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
56	WVRN	765	0.84	686	0.90	1451	0.87
57	WVPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58	WI	1751	1.93	1382	1.81	3133	1.87
59	WY	209	0.23	555	0.73	764	0.46
60	AS	2	0.00	2	0.00	4	0.00
61	CM	1	0.00	32	0.04	33	0.02
62	PR	736	0.81	0	0.00	736	0.44
		90637	100.00	76507	100.00	167144	100.00

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Table 4. Registered Nurses: Maintenance Function, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	Renewal n	Renewal %	Reinstatment n	Reinstatment %	Total Maintenance n	Total Maintenance %
1	AL	32250	2.06	353	2.10	32603	2.06
2	AK	4251	0.27	36	0.21	4287	0.27
3	AZ	33814	2.16	2	0.01	33816	2.14
4	AR	9902	0.63	11	0.07	9913	0.63
5	CARN	112360	7.17	11	0.07	112371	7.10
6	CAVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
7	CO	15853	1.01	400	2.38	16253	1.03
8	CT	51156	3.27	140	0.83	51296	3.24
9	DE	0	0.00	126	0.75	126	0.01
10	DC						a
11	FL	0	0.00	1263	7.52	1263	0.08
12	GARN	54391	3.47	357	2.13	54748	3.46
13	GAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
14	GU	0	0.00	13	0.08	13	0.00
15	HI	0	0.00	2	0.01	2	0.00
16	ID	8125	0.52	69	0.41	8194	0.52
17	IL	116220	7.42	2319	13.82	118539	7.49
18	IN	0	0.00	8	0.05	8	0.00
19	IA	8932	0.57	129	0.77	9061	0.57
20	KS	11541	0.74	577	3.44	12118	0.77
21	KY	32796	2.09	331	1.97	33127	2.09
22	LARN	30624	1.96	699	4.16	31323	1.98
23	LAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
24	ME	12658	0.81	370	2.20	13028	0.82
25	MD	49566	3.16	0	0.00	49566	3.13
26	MA	87748	5.60	150	0.89	87898	5.55
27	MI	0	0.00	544	3.24	544	0.03
28	MN	23414	1.49	583	3.47	23997	1.52
29	MS	17588	1.12	212	1.26	17800	1.12
30	MO	56028	3.58	858	5.11	56886	3.59
31	MT	10854	0.69	91	0.54	10945	0.69
32	NE	0	0.00	398	2.37	398	0.03
33	NV	5959	0.38	3	0.02	5962	0.38
34	NH	7563	0.48	392	2.34	7955	0.50
35	NJ	71000	4.53	33	0.20	71033	4.49
36	NM	1847	0.12	0	0.00	1847	0.12
37	NY	190635	12.17	0	0.00	190635	12.04
38	NC	31236	1.99	1572	9.36	32808	2.07
39	ND	6956	0.44	4	0.02	6960	0.44
40	OH	0	0.00	945	5.63	945	0.06
41	OK	21123	1.35	506	3.01	21629	1.37
42	OR	14000	0.89	454	2.70	14454	0.91
43	PA	140000	8.94	50	0.30	140050	8.85
44	RI	7000	0.45	5	0.03	7005	0.44
45	SC	25440	1.62	495	2.95	25935	1.64
46	SD	3988	0.25	113	0.67	4101	0.26
47	TN	50000	3.19	300	1.79	50300	3.18
48	TXRN	60181	3.84	13	0.08	60194	3.80
49	TXVN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
50	UT	0	0.00	50	0.30	50	0.00
51	VT	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
52	VA	27806	1.78	1150	6.85	28956	1.83
53	VI	0	0.00	4	0.02	4	0.00
54	WARN	47206	3.01	7	0.04	47213	2.98
55	WAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
56	WVRN	18709	1.19	574	3.42	19283	1.22
57	WVPN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58	WI	52000	3.32	60	0.36	52060	3.29
59	WY	3476	0.22	3	0.02	3479	0.22
60	AS	40	0.00	0	0.00	40	0.00
61	CM	37	0.00	1	0.01	38	0.00
62	PR	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
		1566273	100.00	16786	100.00	1583059	100.00

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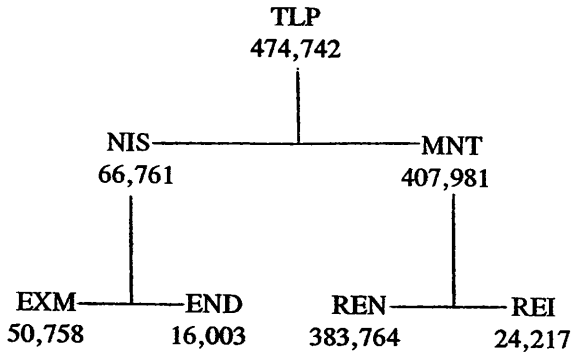
Practical/Vocational Nurse Licenses Processed



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TLP: Total Licenses Processed
NIS: New in State Functions
MNT: Maintenance Functions
EXM: Examination
END: Endorsement
REN: Renewal
REI: Reinstatement

Table 5. Practical/Vocational Nurses: Total Licenses Processed, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	New in State n	New in State %	Maintenance n	Maintenance %	Total Processed n	Total Processed %
1	AL	1914	2.87	1552	0.38	3466	0.73
2	AK	88	0.13	661	0.16	749	0.16
3	AZ	990	1.48	3	0.00	993	0.21
4	AR	1086	1.63	7535	1.85	8621	1.82
5	CARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
6	CAVN	5278	7.91	23897	5.86	29175	6.15
7	CO	1019	1.53	7240	1.77	8259	1.74
8	CT	163	0.24	12313	3.02	12476	2.63
9	DE	209	0.31	1907	0.47	2116	0.45
10	DC						a
11	FL	4010	6.01	652	0.16	4662	0.98
12	GARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
13	GAPN	2127	3.19	7124	1.75	9251	1.95
14	GU	18	0.03	0	0.00	18	0.00
15	HI	225	0.34	0	0.00	225	0.05
16	ID	273	0.41	3145	0.77	3418	0.72
17	IL	2408	3.61	4865	1.19	7273	1.53
18	IN	1685	2.52	17380	4.26	19065	4.02
19	IA	1474	2.21	2171	0.53	3645	0.77
20	KS	1005	1.51	3289	0.81	4294	0.90
21	KY	1340	2.01	184	0.05	1524	0.32
22	LARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
23	LAPN	934	1.40	12939	3.17	13873	2.92
24	ME	227	0.34	4172	1.02	4399	0.93
25	MD	832	1.25	9565	2.34	10397	2.19
26	MA	974	1.46	2	0.00	976	0.21
27	MI	1632	2.44	289	0.07	1921	0.40
28	MN	1488	2.23	10623	2.60	12111	2.55
29	MS	833	1.25	418	0.10	1251	0.26
30	MO	1548	2.32	20725	5.08	22273	4.69
31	MT	278	0.42	3447	0.84	3725	0.78
32	NE	399	0.60	16258	3.98	16657	3.51
33	NV	356	0.53	1376	0.34	1732	0.36
34	NH	280	0.42	1567	0.38	1847	0.39
35	NJ	2112	3.16	18255	4.47	20367	4.29
36	NM	367	0.55	3009	0.74	3376	0.71
37	NY	6685	10.01	738	0.18	7423	1.56
38	NC	1940	2.91	9587	2.35	11527	2.43
39	ND	130	0.19	2847	0.70	2977	0.63
40	OH	2307	3.46	39475	9.68	41782	8.80
41	OK	1413	2.12	241	0.06	1654	0.35
42	OR	656	0.98	2345	0.57	3001	0.63
43	PA	2380	3.56	53100	13.02	55480	11.69
44	RI	120	0.18	1502	0.37	1622	0.34
45	SC	918	1.38	9833	2.41	10751	2.26
46	SD	145	0.22	1200	0.29	1345	0.28
47	TN	1815	2.72	100	0.02	1915	0.40
48	TXRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
49	TXVN	4800	7.19	35546	8.71	40346	8.50
50	UT	800	1.20	3803	0.93	4603	0.97
51	VT	165	0.25	2123	0.52	2288	0.48
52	VA	1634	2.45	10462	2.56	12096	2.55
53	VI	25	0.04	120	0.03	145	0.03
54	WARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
55	WAPN	1279	1.92	13897	3.41	15176	3.20
56	WVRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
57	WVPN	750	1.12	7369	1.81	8119	1.71
58	WI	540	0.81	16030	3.93	16570	3.49
59	WY	285	0.43	975	0.24	1260	0.27
60	AS	1	0.00	120	0.03	121	0.03
61	CM	0	0.00	5	0.00	5	0.00
62	PR	401	0.60	0	0.00	401	0.08
		66761	100.00	407981	100.00	474742	100.00

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Table 6. Practical/Vocational Nurses: New in State Function, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	Examination n	Examination %	Endorsement n	Endorsement %	New in State n	New in State %
1	AL	1573	3.10	341	2.13	1914	2.87
2	AK	14	0.03	74	0.46	88	0.13
3	AZ	558	1.10	432	2.70	990	1.48
4	AR	774	1.52	312	1.95	1086	1.63
5	CARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
6	CAVN	4293	8.46	985	6.16	5278	7.91
7	CO	623	1.23	396	2.47	1019	1.53
8	CT	55	0.11	108	0.67	163	0.24
9	DE	139	0.27	70	0.44	209	0.31
10	DC						a
11	FL	2915	5.74	1095	6.84	4010	6.01
12	GARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
13	GAPN	1112	2.19	1015	6.34	2127	3.19
14	GU	3	0.01	15	0.09	18	0.03
15	HI	100	0.20	125	0.78	225	0.34
16	ID	153	0.30	120	0.75	273	0.41
17	IL	2113	4.16	295	1.84	2408	3.61
18	IN	1313	2.59	372	2.32	1685	2.52
19	IA	1300	2.56	174	1.09	1474	2.21
20	KS	690	1.36	315	1.97	1005	1.51
21	KY	980	1.93	360	2.25	1340	2.01
22	LARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
23	LAPN	934	1.84	0	0.00	934	1.40
24	ME	153	0.30	74	0.46	227	0.34
25	MD	389	0.77	443	2.77	832	1.25
26	MA	773	1.52	201	1.26	974	1.46
27	MI	1352	2.66	280	1.75	1632	2.44
28	MN	1349	2.66	139	0.87	1488	2.23
29	MS	633	1.25	200	1.25	833	1.25
30	MO	1173	2.31	375	2.34	1548	2.32
31	MT	174	0.34	104	0.65	278	0.42
32	NE	311	0.61	88	0.55	399	0.60
33	NV	108	0.21	248	1.55	356	0.53
34	NH	146	0.29	134	0.84	280	0.42
35	NJ	1427	2.81	685	4.28	2112	3.16
36	NM	194	0.38	173	1.08	367	0.55
37	NY	6420	12.65	265	1.66	6685	10.01
38	NC	1264	2.49	676	4.22	1940	2.91
39	ND	93	0.18	37	0.23	130	0.19
40	OH	1891	3.73	416	2.60	2307	3.46
41	OK	1072	2.11	341	2.13	1413	2.12
42	OR	418	0.82	238	1.49	656	0.98
43	PA	2100	4.14	280	1.75	2380	3.56
44	RI	55	0.11	65	0.41	120	0.18
45	SC	581	1.14	337	2.11	918	1.38
46	SD	73	0.14	72	0.45	145	0.22
47	TN	1232	2.43	583	3.64	1815	2.72
48	TXRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
49	TXVN	3749	7.39	1051	6.57	4800	7.19
50	UT	735	1.45	65	0.41	800	1.20
51	VT	74	0.15	91	0.57	165	0.25
52	VA	1004	1.98	630	3.94	1634	2.45
53	VI	8	0.02	17	0.11	25	0.04
54	WARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
55	WAPN	953	1.88	326	2.04	1279	1.92
56	WVRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
57	WVPN	451	0.89	299	1.87	750	1.12
58	WI	256	0.50	284	1.77	540	0.81
59	WY	103	0.20	182	1.14	285	0.43
60	AS	1	0.00	0	0.00	1	0.00
61	CM	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
62	PR	401	0.79	0	0.00	401	0.60
		50758	100.00	16003	100.00	66761	100.00

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Table 7. Practical/Vocational Nurses: Maintenance Functions, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	Renewal n	Renewal %	Reinstatement n	Reinstatement %	Total Maintenance n	Total Maintenance %
1	AL	1386	0.36	166	0.69	1552	0.38
2	AK	649	0.17	12	0.05	661	0.16
3	AZ	0	0.00	3	0.01	3	0.00
4	AR	7522	1.96	13	0.05	7535	1.85
5	CARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
6	CAVN	23897	6.23	0	0.00	23897	5.86
7	CO	6900	1.80	340	1.40	7240	1.77
8	CT	12271	3.20	42	0.17	12313	3.02
9	DE	1865	0.49	42	0.17	1907	0.47
10	DC						a
11	FL	0	0.00	652	2.69	652	0.16
12	GARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
13	GAPN	7000	1.82	124	0.51	7124	1.75
14	GU	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
15	HI	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
16	ID	3118	0.81	27	0.11	3145	0.77
17	IL	4510	1.18	355	1.47	4865	1.19
18	IN	17380	4.53	0	0.00	17380	4.26
19	IA	2100	0.55	71	0.29	2171	0.53
20	KS	2963	0.77	326	1.35	3289	0.81
21	KY	0	0.00	184	0.76	184	0.05
22	LARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
23	LAPN	12939	3.37	0	0.00	12939	3.17
24	ME	3981	1.04	191	0.79	4172	1.02
25	MD	9565	2.49	0	0.00	9565	2.34
26	MA	0	0.00	2	0.01	2	0.00
27	MI	0	0.00	289	1.19	289	0.07
28	MN	10301	2.68	322	1.33	10623	2.60
29	MS	0	0.00	418	1.73	418	0.10
30	MO	20272	5.28	453	1.87	20725	5.08
31	MT	3382	0.88	65	0.27	3447	0.84
32	NE	0	0.00	16258	67.13	16258	3.98
33	NV	1375	0.36	1	0.00	1376	0.34
34	NH	1448	0.38	119	0.49	1567	0.38
35	NJ	18250	4.76	5	0.02	18255	4.47
36	NM	3009	0.78	0	0.00	3009	0.74
37	NY	738	0.19	0	0.00	738	0.18
38	NC	8804	2.29	783	3.23	9587	2.35
39	ND	2845	0.74	2	0.01	2847	0.70
40	OH	38507	10.03	968	4.00	39475	9.68
41	OK	1	0.00	240	0.99	241	0.06
42	OR	2199	0.57	146	0.60	2345	0.57
43	PA	53000	13.81	100	0.41	53100	13.02
44	RI	1500	0.39	2	0.01	1502	0.37
45	SC	9507	2.48	326	1.35	9833	2.41
46	SD	1150	0.30	50	0.21	1200	0.29
47	TN	0	0.00	100	0.41	100	0.02
48	TXRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
49	TXVN	35546	9.26	0	0.00	35546	8.71
50	UT	3800	0.99	3	0.01	3803	0.93
51	VT	2123	0.55	0	0.00	2123	0.52
52	VA	9865	2.57	597	2.47	10462	2.56
53	VI	120	0.03	0	0.00	120	0.03
54	WARN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
55	WAPN	13797	3.60	100	0.41	13897	3.41
56	WVRN	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
57	WVPN	7079	1.84	290	1.20	7369	1.81
58	WI	16000	4.17	30	0.12	16030	3.93
59	WY	975	0.25	0	0.00	975	0.24
60	AS	120	0.03	0	0.00	120	0.03
61	CM	5	0.00	0	0.00	5	0.00
62	PR	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
		383764	100.00	24217	100.00	407981	100.00

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Table 8. Total Number of Active Licenses: Registered Nurses and Practical/Vocational Nurses, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	Registered Nurses n	%	Practical Nurses n	%	Total Number n	%
1	AL	33120	1.27	18525	2.10	51645	1.48
2	AK	4961	0.19	749	0.08	5710	0.16
3	AZ	33814	1.30	8700	0.99	42514	1.22
4	AR	21267	0.82	15517	1.76	36784	1.05
5	CARN	254270	9.75	0	0.00	254270	7.29
6	CAVN	0	0.00	64065	7.27	64065	1.84
7	CO	33741	1.29	7478	0.85	41219	1.18
8	CT	50348	1.93	12083	1.37	62431	1.79
9	DE	10720	0.41	2618	0.30	13338	0.38
10	DC						a
11	FL	141648	5.43	54251	6.15	195899	5.61
12	GARN	57652	2.21	0	0.00	57652	1.65
13	GAPN	0	0.00	28810	3.27	28810	0.83
14	GU	471	0.02	136	0.02	607	0.02
15	HI	22044	0.85	6112	0.69	28156	0.81
16	ID	9636	0.37	3369	0.38	13005	0.37
17	IL	121764	4.67	30729	3.49	152493	4.37
18	IN	62425	2.39	19065	2.16	81490	2.33
19	IA	32955	1.26	10392	1.18	43347	1.24
20	KS	26467	1.01	7947	0.90	34414	0.99
21	KY	31206	1.20	12379	1.40	43585	1.25
22	LARN	35198	1.35	0	0.00	35198	1.01
23	LAPN	0	0.00	13557	1.54	13557	0.39
24	ME	14936	0.57	4765	0.54	19701	0.56
25	MD	51900	1.99	10229	1.16	62129	1.78
26	MA	91331	3.50	20206	2.29	111537	3.20
27	MI	105026	4.03	34877	3.96	139903	4.01
28	MN	50361	1.93	22739	2.58	73100	2.09
29	MS	19286	0.74	9875	1.12	29161	0.84
30	MO	57818	2.22	21012	2.38	78830	2.26
31	MT	8904	0.34	3079	0.35	11983	0.34
32	NE	17453	0.67	6795	0.77	24248	0.69
33	NV	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
34	NH	14690	0.56	3396	0.39	18086	0.52
35	NJ	98840	3.79	25676	2.91	124516	3.57
36	NM	12666	0.49	3125	0.35	15791	0.45
37	NY	208758	8.00	78095	8.86	286853	8.22
38	NC	62606	2.40	19666	2.23	82272	2.36
39	ND	7373	0.28	2977	0.34	10350	0.30
40	OH	129498	4.96	40694	4.62	170192	4.88
41	OK	23300	0.89	15027	1.70	38327	1.10
42	OR	31398	1.20	5588	0.63	36986	1.06
43	PA	173791	6.66	52137	5.91	225928	6.47
44	RI	14240	0.55	3370	0.38	17610	0.50
45	SC	28896	1.11	10751	1.22	39647	1.14
46	SD	8683	0.33	2450	0.28	11133	0.32
47	TN	50166	1.92	22445	2.55	72611	2.08
48	TXRN	130947	5.02	0	0.00	130947	3.75
49	TXVN	0	0.00	75743	8.59	75743	2.17
50	UT	12896	0.49	4649	0.53	17545	0.50
51	VT	7523	0.29	2123	0.24	9646	0.28
52	VA	68071	2.61	24787	2.81	92858	2.66
53	VI	260	0.01	145	0.02	405	0.01
54	WARN	50453	1.93	0	0.00	50453	1.45
55	WAPN	0	0.00	13897	1.58	13897	0.40
56	WVRN	20804	0.80	0	0.00	20804	0.60
57	WVPN	0	0.00	8155	0.93	8155	0.23
58	WI	47549	1.82	15263	1.73	62812	1.80
59	WY	4052	0.16	1195	0.14	5247	0.15
60	AS	50	0.00	140	0.02	190	0.01
61	CM	190	0.01	31	0.00	221	0.01
62	PR	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
		2608422	100.00	881584	100.00	3490006	100.00

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Table 9. Number of Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs Licensed by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	RN Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs n	%	PN/VN Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs n	%
1	AL	3	0.04	0	0.00
2	AK	33	0.45	3	0.37
3	AZ	80	1.08	3	0.37
4	AR	211	2.86	3	0.37
5	CARN	3068	41.53	0	0.00
6	CAVN	0	0.00	0	0.00
7	CO	0	0.00	0	0.00
8	CT	0	0.00	0	0.00
9	DE	10	0.14	10	1.24
10	DC				a
11	FL	0	0.00	0	0.00
12	GARN	0	0.00	0	0.00
13	GAPN	0	0.00	10	1.24
14	GU	28	0.38	6	0.74
15	HI	94	1.27	34	4.20
16	ID	5	0.07	3	0.37
17	IL	0	0.00	0	0.00
18	IN	58	0.79	1	0.12
19	IA	5	0.07	0	0.00
20	KS	4	0.05	2	0.25
21	KY	35	0.47	1	0.12
22	LARN	364	4.93	0	0.00
23	LAPN	0	0.00	0	0.00
24	ME	87	1.18	2	0.25
25	MD	0	0.00	0	0.00
26	MA	50	0.68	9	1.11
27	MI	0	0.00	0	0.00
28	MN	0	0.00	7	0.87
29	MS	4	0.05	4	0.49
30	MO	51	0.69	0	0.00
31	MT	1	0.01	1	0.12
32	NE	20	0.27	0	0.00
33	NV	0	0.00	0	0.00
34	NH	13	0.18	3	0.37
35	NJ	141	1.91	255	31.52
36	NM	15	0.20	0	0.00
37	NY	1836	24.85	187	23.11
38	NC	378	5.12	7	0.87
39	ND	19	0.26	0	0.00
40	OH	178	2.41	4	0.49
41	OK	51	0.69	8	0.99
42	OR	85	1.15	15	1.85
43	PA	0	0.00	0	0.00
44	RI	12	0.16	2	0.25
45	SC	46	0.62	3	0.37
46	SD	40	0.54	7	0.87
47	TN	48	0.65	1	0.12
48	TXRN	0	0.00	0	0.00
49	TXVN	0	0.00	178	22.00
50	UT	50	0.68	10	1.24
51	VT	8	0.11	0	0.00
52	VA	15	0.20	4	0.49
53	VI	0	0.00	0	0.00
54	WARN	152	2.06	0	0.00
55	WAPN	0	0.00	23	2.84
56	WVRN	0	0.00	0	0.00
57	WVPN	0	0.00	1	0.12
58	WI	53	0.72	1	0.12
59	WY	3	0.04	0	0.00
60	AS	0	0.00	1	0.12
61	CM	33	0.45	0	0.00
62	PR	0	0.00	0	0.00
		7387	100.00	809	100.00

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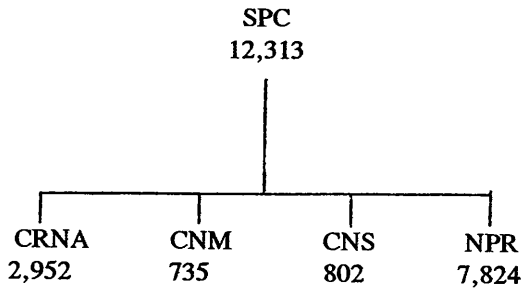
Summary

Specialty Licenses Processed



KEY:

SPC:	Total Specialty Licenses Processed
CRNA:	Nurse Anesthetist
CNM:	Nurse Midwife
CNS:	Clinical Nurse Specialists
NPR:	All categories of nurse practitioners

Table 10. Distribution of Licensing Boards Empowered to Grant Specialty Licenses, by Specialty Category.

Abbreviation	Category	Number of Boards Empowered to Issue n	% [1]
CRNA	nurse anesthetist	36	75.0
CNM	nurse midwife	38	79.2
CNS-Psych/M.H.	clinical nurse specialist psych/mental health	14	29.2
CNS	clinical nurse specialist	14	29.2
Nurse Practitioners			
NEO	neonatal	17	35.4
FAM	family	19	39.6
FPN	family planning	13	27.1
GER	geriatric	17	35.4
EMR	emergency	12	25.0
SCH	school	18	37.5
COL	college	7	14.6
WOM	ob-gyn/women's health	19	39.6
PSY	psychiatric/mental health	13	27.1
PRI	primary care	7	14.6
AHP	adult health	19	39.6
CHP	child health	18	37.5
NPR	nurse practitioner (no designation)	22	45.8
OTS	other specialty	11	22.9
Total Number of Boards Empowered to Issue Specialty Licenses or Certificates.		48	

[1] Percent of total number of Member Boards empowered to grant specialty licenses.

Table 11. Distribution of Specialty Licenses Processed Within Each Specialty Category, by Jurisdiction.

ID	JD	CRNA n	CNM n	CNS PSYCH n	CNS n	NEO n	FAM n	FPN n	GER n	EMR n	SCH n	COL n	WOM n	PSY n	PRI n	AHP n	CHP n	NPR n	OTS n	Total Active Licenses n
1	AL	124	6			5	19		1		0		9			7	9			180
2	AK	14	2			2	16		0		2		6	6	0	3	1			52
3	AZ		16			16	27				0		16			11	10			96
4	AR	60	1															81		142
5	CARN	413	73											17				456	604	1563
8	CT	0	10		0													144		154
9	DE	19		10	2	7	3	4	1	0	0	0	7	0	0	5	9			67
10	DC	69	19															81		169
11	FL	120	27	52			58	0	13	1			36			78	58			443
12	GARN	269	13	195														392		869
14	GU	0	0															0		0
16	ID	40																12		52
19	IA	15	1					11			0		8	0			10			45
20	KS	74	1	24	40	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	0	0		152
21	KY	111	16		8													30		165
22	LARN	0	0		0													0		0
25	MD	49	14	54														82		199
26	MA	47	31	67														237		382
27	MI																		287	287
28	MN																	338	335	673
29	MS	61	5			0	15	0	2		0		3			1	3			90
31	MT	17	0															35		52
32	NE	35	0															14		49
33	NV	12				1	7	2	0	0			8	0		0	4			34
34	NH	25	10	0		3	5		3	0	0		14	7		6	9			82
36	NM	28			15													32		75
37	NY					18	104		25		1		45	6		100	59			358
38	NC		23			19	16	0	2	0,	0		11			4	16		0	91
39	ND	167	6		21													88	9	291
40	OH		9																	9
41	OK	317	3		53													34		407
42	OR		128				205		15			5	112	152		185	110			912
43	PA					337	457				206				428	436				1864
44	RI	0	5															26		31
45	SC	96	21	1	5	8	19	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	6	0		5	167
46	SD	25	1			4	12	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0			45
48	TXRN	196	54	54		24	53		10		8		61			18	26			504
50	UT	8	4	0	10													15	12	49
51	VT	74	29	0	0	1	52	0	4	0	4	0	28	30	0	39	0	0	35	296
52	VA	0	0	0	92	0	0	0	0	0	0		0			0	0		188	280
53	VI	3	9																	12
54	WARN	52	20		35	2	34		4		0		21			17			17	202
56	WVRN		32																	32
58	WI		7																	7
59	WY	75	3		8		26	3	2				18	2		5	4		1	147
60	AS	1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		3
61	CM		6																	6
62	PR	336	129	56						2	5									528
		2952	735	513	289	449	1134	21	82	3	226	5	415	220	428	923	328	2097	1493	12313

Table 12. Total Number of Active Specialty Licenses within the 61 Member Board Jurisdiction.

Abbreviation	Category	Active Licenses n	%
CRNA	nurse anesthetist	12,160	25.2
CNM	nurse midwife	2,663	5.5
CNS-Psych/M.H.	clinical nurse specialist psych/mental health	1,317	2.7
CNS	clinical nurse specialist	1,458	3.0
Nurse Practitioners			
NEO	neonatal	2,448	5.1
FAM	family	3,362	6.9
FPN	family planning	67	0.1
GER	geriatric	373	0.8
EMR	emergency	154	0.3
SCH	school	95	0.2
COL	college	7	0.0
WOM	ob-gyn/women's health	1,640	3.4
PSY	psychiatric/mental health	637	1.3
PRI	primary care	230	0.5
AHP	adult health	1,922	4.0
CHP	child health	1,335	2.8
NPR	nurse practitioner (no designation)	9,186	19.0
OTS	other specialty	9,226	19.1
Total		48,280	99.9[1]

[1] Adds to less than 100% due to rounding

Table 13. Distribution of Active Specialty Licenses Within Each Specialty Category, by Jurisdiction

ID	JD	CRNA n	CNM n	CNS PSYCH n	CNS n	NEO n	FAM n	FPN n	GER n	EMR n	SCH n	COL n	WOM n	PSY n	PRI n	AHP n	CHP n	NPR n	OTS n	Total Active Licenses n
1	AL	975	36			23	121		5		1		105			31	41			1338
2	AK	80	29			9	84		2		5		35	13		11	16			284
3	AZ		146			98	351				14		155			130	142			1036
4	AR	262	6															761		1029
5	CARN	1466	700											360				5056	1541	9123
8	CT	0	83		0													0	650	733
9	DE	128		13	3	7	7	4	1	0	0	0	18	0	0	7	15	0	1	204
10	DC																			a
11	FL																		4556	4556
12	GARN	182	13	147														625		967
14	GU	5	3															10		18
16	ID	216																120		336
19	IA	329	18				58				10		69	14			127			625
20	KS	453	7	53	94	10	117	0	0	12	0	0	37	0	9	21	13	0		826
21	KY	649	48		17													241	13	968
22	LARN	874	22		556													192		1644
25	MD	426	179	187														760		1552
26	MA	756	241	610		1820												0		3427
27	MI	0	0															0	2069	2069
28	MN																	343	0	343
29	MS	416	31			3	78	6	2		0		33			11	20			600
31	MT	144	18															154		316
32	NE	301	1															51		353
33	NV	71			4	10	38	18	4	0			35	2		5	14		3	204
34	NH	142	48	0		8	70		14	0	5		63	41		66	56			513
36	NM	241			52													299		592
37	NY					67	732		152		40		211	22		816	508			2548
38	NC		55			60	327	18	7	0	1		57			20	37		9	591
39	ND	167	6		21													88	9	291
40	OH		87																	87
41	OK	350	15		54													240		659
42	OR		128				205		15			5	112	152		185	110			912
43	PA					200	250			112					220	230				1012
44	RI	0	27															26		53
45	SC	569	81	1	31	29	90	10	0	1	5	2	58	0	1	23	0		34	935
46	SD	215	6			31	43	0	1	0	0	0	4	1	0	5	4			310
48	TXRN	0	0	0		0	0		0		0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
50	UT	120	53	39	123													220	177	732
51	VT	74	29	0	0	1	52	0	4	0	4	0	28	30	0	39	0	0	35	296
52	VA	1048	84	0	284	66	351	7	35	27	2	0	141	0	0	174	203	0	1	2423
53	VI	3	9																	12
54	WARN	369	232	195		3	319		90		3		177			87			127	1602
56	WVRN	718	32	16	211	3	43	0	39			0	284			56	25			1427
58	WI		47																	47
59	WY	75	3		8		26	3	2				18	2		5	4		1	147
60	AS	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0		2
61	CM		10																	10
62	PR	336	129	56						2	5									528
Total		12160	2663	1317	1458	2448	3362	67	373	154	95	7	1640	637	230	1922	1335	9186	9226	48280

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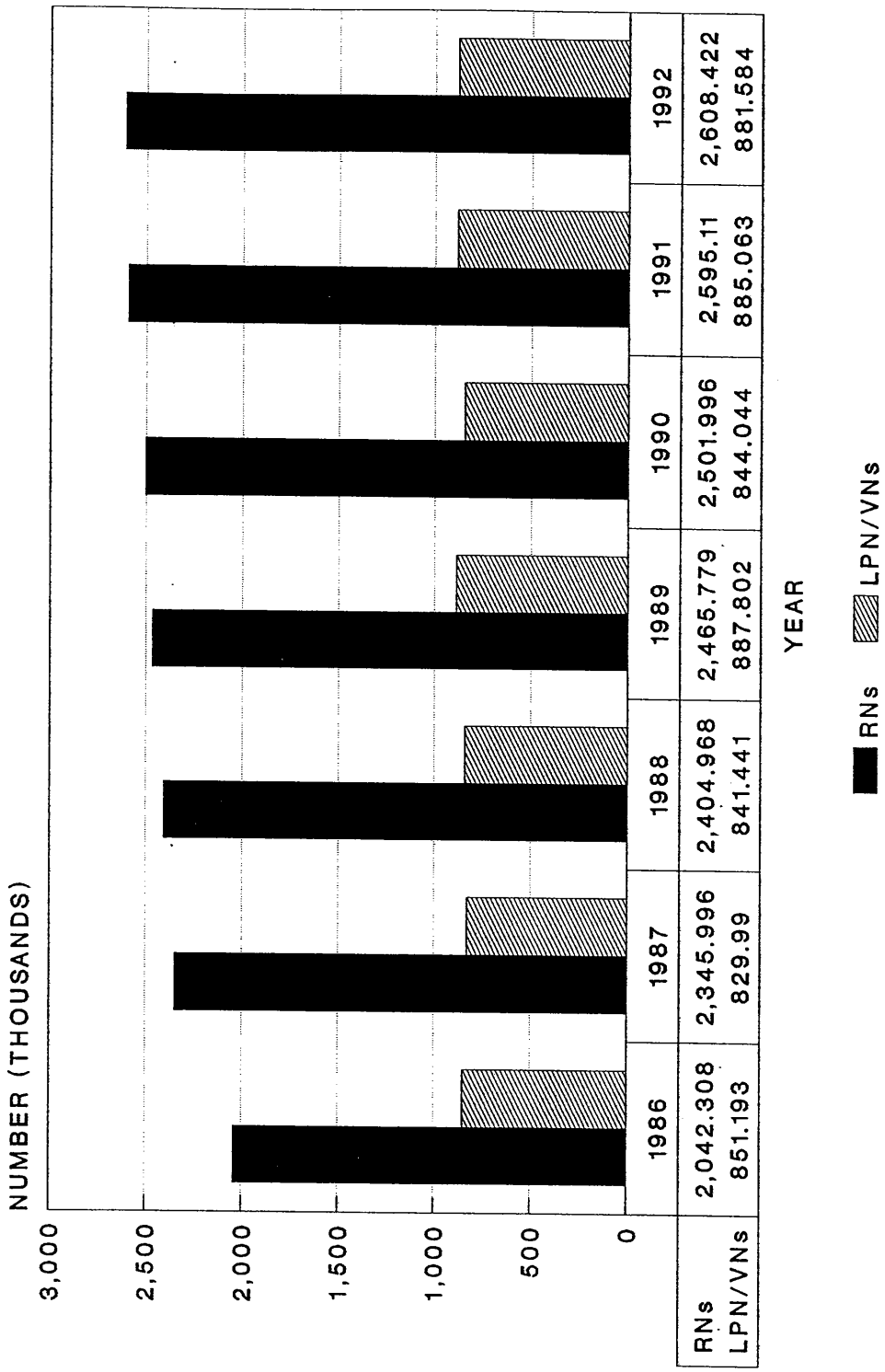
FIGURE 1
TOTAL NUMBER OF ACTIVE LICENSES: RNs AND LPN/VNs, 1986 - 1992



	1986	1987	1988	1989	1990	1991	1992
RNs	2,042.308	2,345.996	2,404.968	2,465.779	2,501.996	2,595.11	2,608.422
LPN/VNs	851.193	829.99	841.441	887.802	844.044	885.063	881.584

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

PART II

1992 LICENSURE EXAMINATION STATISTICS

INTRODUCTION TO PART II; 1992 Licensure Examination Statistics

The National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses (NCLEX-RN) and the National Council Licensure Examination for Practical Nurses (NCLEX-PN) are each administered to licensure candidates by the National Council's Member Boards of Nursing two times every year. The purpose of the licensing examination is to determine if a licensure candidate possesses the minimum knowledge, skills and abilities to provide minimally safe and effective nursing care.

As is indicated in each of the following tables, each examination is labeled with the month and year it was administered. For NCLEX-RN, the designations are 292 for February and 792 for July; for NCLEX-PN, the designations are 492 for April and 092 for October. In keeping with the purpose of the licensure examinations, examination results throughout these tables are reported as the percent passing. The passing criterion is equivalent to the number of questions that a candidate must answer correctly in order to demonstrate that they possess the minimum ability (nursing knowledge) necessary to provide minimally safe and effective nursing care.

The statistics reported are derived from data provided to the National Council and its Member Boards of Nursing by CTB/MacMillan/McGraw-Hill, the National Council's test service, following each administration of an examination.

TABLE 1. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX™ and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-PN 492 April 15, 1992

Type of Candidate	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
First-Time U.S. Educated	16783	87.9
Repeat U.S. Educated	5983	41.0
First-Time Foreign Educated	1200	39.8
Repeat Foreign Educated	1954	13.5
Total	25920	69.2
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	9	
Invalid Country Codes:	36	

TABLE 2. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-PN 492 April 15, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
AL	738	85.2
AK	0	0.0*
AS	9	0.0
AZ	154	94.8
AR	257	87.2
CA	1553	73.2
CO	112	92.0
CM	0	0.0*
CT	10	90.0
DE	9	33.3
DC	53	47.2
FL	1248	89.4
GA	523	83.6
GU	1	100.0
HI	43	90.7
ID	28	100.0
IL	273	90.8
IN	440	93.4
IA	299	96.3
KS	169	91.7
KY	354	91.0
LA	416	90.6
ME	32	100.0
MD	40	77.5
MA	37	86.5
MI	330	95.8
MN	500	92.2
MS	133	83.5
MO	180	93.3
MT	71	98.6
NE	115	93.9
NV	1	0.0
NH	56	91.1
NJ	393	84.0
NM	14	100.0
NY	2907	85.6
NC	169	88.8
ND	64	98.4
OH	523	97.1

TABLE 2. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (con't)

NCLEX-PN 492 April 15, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
OK	188	88.8
OR	45	97.8
PA	902	93.2
PR	18	22.2
RI	3	100.0
SC	119	95.8
SD	6	50.0
TN	563	93.3
TX	1274	88.9
UT	225	91.1
VT	8	100.0
VI	1	100.0
VA	659	88.6
WA	333	98.2
WV	127	89.0
WI	50	92.0
WY	2	100.0
Total:	16783	87.9
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	6	

* no candidates tested

TABLE 3. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing

NCLEX-PN 492 April 15, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Argentina	1	0.0
Australia	1	100.0
Austria	1	100.0
Bahamas	1	100.0
Belize (Br. Honduras)	3	33.3
Brazil	3	0.0
Bulgaria	1	100.0
Burma	1	0.0
Canada	28	60.7
Cayman	1	100.0
Colombia	3	0.0
Costa Rica	2	0.0
Czechoslovakia	4	50.0
Dominica	1	0.0
Dominican Republic	1	0.0
Ecuador	1	0.0
Egypt, Arab Republic of	1	0.0
El Salvador	8	25.0
England	36	47.2
Ethiopia	2	50.0
Fiji Islands	1	0.0
Germany (Western)	6	83.3
Ghana	10	30.0
Grenada and the Grenadines	1	100.0
Guatemala	2	0.0
Guayana	9	33.3
Haiti	3	33.3
Hong Kong	9	66.7
India	113	35.4
Indonesia	40	22.5
Iran	7	12.5
Ireland	1	100.0
Israel	5	40.0
Italy	1	0.0
Jamaica	22	81.8
Japan	2	50.0
Jordan	1	0.0
Korea	15	60.0

TABLE 3. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-PN 492 April 15, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Macao	2	0.0
Mexico	16	25.0
Netherlands	1	100.0
New Zealand	1	100.0
Nicaragua	5	0.0
Nigeria	43	72.1
Northern Ireland	1	0.0
Pakistan	7	28.6
Panama, Republic of	4	50.0
Peoples Republic of China	25	40.0
Peru	7	14.3
Philippines	621	39.5
Poland	9	11.1
Portugal	1	0.0
Rhodesia	1	100.0
Rumania Romania	9	55.6
Scotland	2	100.0
Sierra Leone	6	33.3
Spain	1	0.0
Surinam	1	0.0
Sweden	3	33.3
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	35	25.7
Thailand	9	0.0
Tonga	1	0.0
Trinidad & Tobago	6	50.0
Uganda	1	100.0
USSR	15	26.7
Vietnam	2	0.0
Yugoslavia	2	50.0
Total:	1200	39.8
Invalid Country Codes:	12	

TABLE 4. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-PN 092 October 21, 1992

Type of Candidate	Number of Candidate	Percent Passing
First-Time U.S. Educated	32359	90.5
Repeat U.S. Educated	5156	38.2
First-Time Foreign Educated	1451	43.0
Repeat Foreign Educated	2421	17.6
Total	41387	78.0
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	9	
Invalid Country Codes:	16	

TABLE 5. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-PN 092 October 21, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
AL	896	82.7
AK	1	100.0
AS	7	0.0
AZ	393	95.2
AR	527	90.1
CA	2310	73.9
CO	415	97.1
CM	1	100.0
CT	32	96.9
DE	169	81.1
DC	59	67.8
FL	1379	91.0
GA	580	90.5
GU	0	0.0*
HI	152	93.4
ID	128	96.1
IL	1339	92.7
IN	797	95.1
IA	1039	97.4
KS	516	94.4
KY	665	94.3
LA	528	94.7
ME	117	95.7
MD	264	89.8
MA	721	95.3
MI	874	96.8
MN	905	92.7
MS	522	85.6
MO	902	95.8
MT	89	95.5
NE	193	92.7
NV	69	95.7
NH	84	95.2
NJ	805	89.9
NM	170	96.5
NY	3600	80.4
NC	977	96.9
ND	43	97.7
OH	1338	96.3
OK	835	94.0

TABLE 5. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (con't)

NCLEX-PN 092 October 21, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
OR	318	98.4
PA	1307	95.0
PR	25	12.0
RI	50	84.0
SC	427	96.3
SD	61	95.1
TN	588	94.2
TX	2966	92.3
UT	494	95.1
VT	79	98.7
VI	19	26.3
VA	345	90.4
WA	550	97.5
WV	417	94.7
WI	156	94.2
WY	104	98.1
Total	32351	90.5
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	4	

TABLE 6. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing

NCLEX-PN 092 October 21, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Afghanistan	1	0.0
Argentina	1	100.0
Australia	4	100.0
Barbados	2	50.0
Belgium	1	0.0
Belize (Br. Honduras)	2	100.0
Bolivia	1	0.0
Brazil	6	33.3
Bulgaria	1	0.0
Canada	31	77.4
Cayman	1	100.0
Chile	1	100.0
Cmnwlth of States - USSR	24	58.3
Colombia	4	50.0
Corsica	1	100.0
Dominica	2	50.0
Dominican Republic	1	0.0
Egypt, Arab Republic of	1	0.0
El Salvador	6	33.3
England	41	53.7
Ethiopia	3	0.0
Fiji Islands	1	0.0
Finland	1	100.0
Gambia	1	0.0
Germany United	4	75.0
Ghana	9	44.4
Guayana	3	33.3
Haiti	12	8.3
Honduras	1	0.0
Hong Kong	5	60.0
Hungary	1	100.0
India	120	35.0
Indonesia	25	4.0
Iran	12	50.0
Israel	7	14.3
Ivory Coast	1	0.0
Jamaica	8	37.5
Japan	5	40.0
Kenya	1	0.0
Korea	27	51.9
Latvia	1	0.0
Lebanon	1	100.0

TABLE 6. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-PN 092 October 21, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Liberia	5	20.0
Macao	1	0.0
Malawi	1	100.0
Mexico	23	17.4
Netherlands	1	100.0
Nicaragua	5	60.0
Nigeria	42	54.8
Pakistan	11	18.2
Panama, Republic of	2	50.0
Peoples Republic of China	24	41.7
Peru	4	25.0
Philippines	848	44.5
Poland	10	20.0
Portugal	1	0.0
Rumania Romania	15	26.7
Scotland	1	100.0
Sierra Leone	10	40.0
South Africa	2	100.0
St Lucia	2	0.0
Switzerland	1	0.0
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	41	26.8
Thailand	5	40.0
Trinidad & Tobago	6	50.0
Vietnam	2	0.0
Yugoslavia	2	100.0
Total:	1459	43.0
Invalid Country Codes:	13	

TABLE 7. Summary Statistics for NCLEX-PN April 1992 and NCLEX-PN October 1992

	April 1992	October 1992
Number of Test Items[a]	204	204
Number of Items Omitted	0	0
KR-20	.88	.88
Mean Item P-Value	.75	.72
Mean Point Biserial	.20	.20
* Mean Candidate Competence	-.04	-.02
Standard Error of Ability Estimate	.17	.17
* Passing Standard	-.62	-.62
* Mean Rasch Difficulty	-1.40	-1.26

[a] see Appendix A for definitions of terms

* These statistics are in units on the Rasch measurement scale.

FIGURE 2.
NATIONAL PASSING RATE: LICENSED
PRACTICAL/VOCATIONAL NURSES, 1986 - 1992

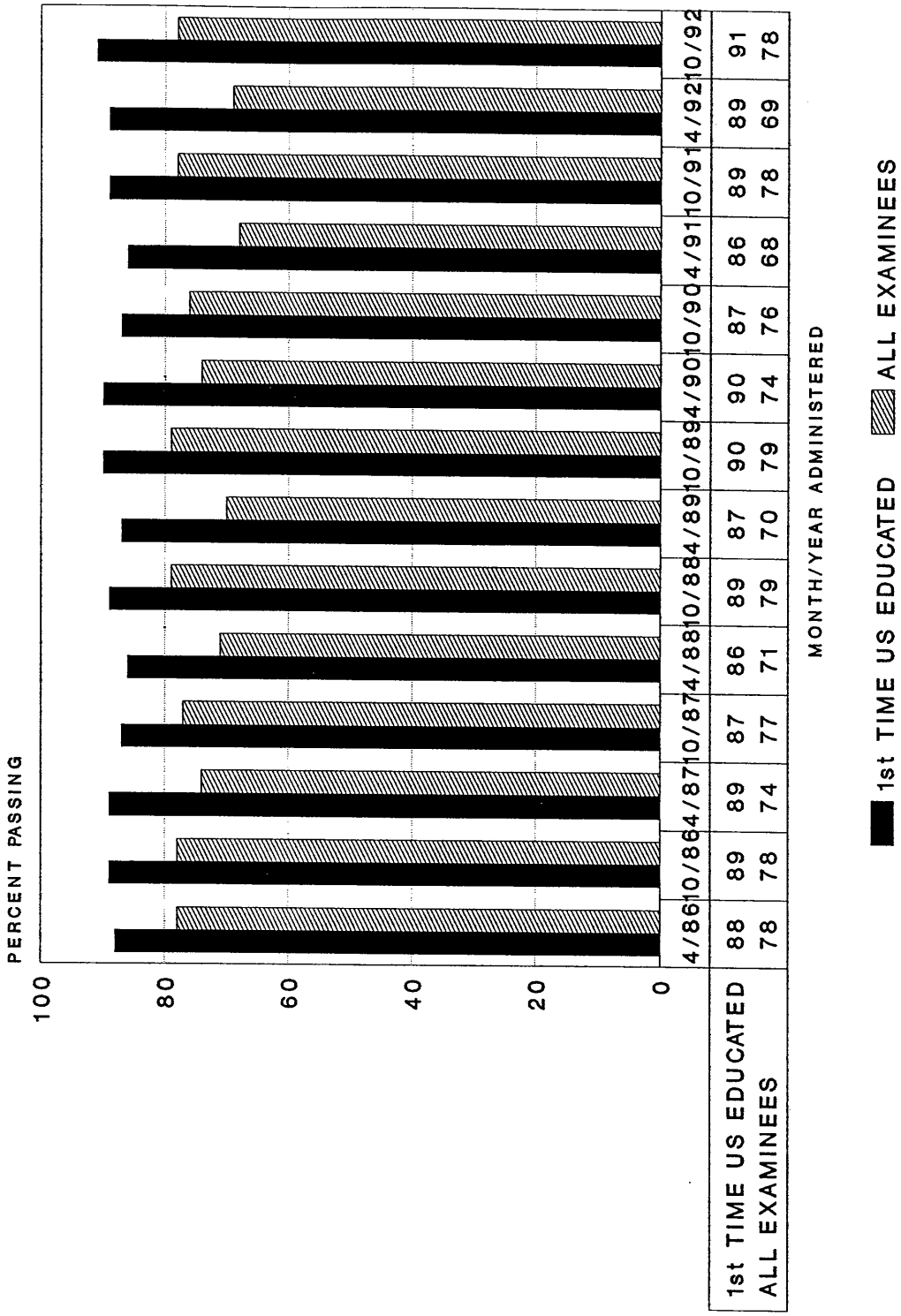


FIGURE 3.
SUMMARY OF SELECTED NCLEX-PN STATISTICS,
1986 - 1992

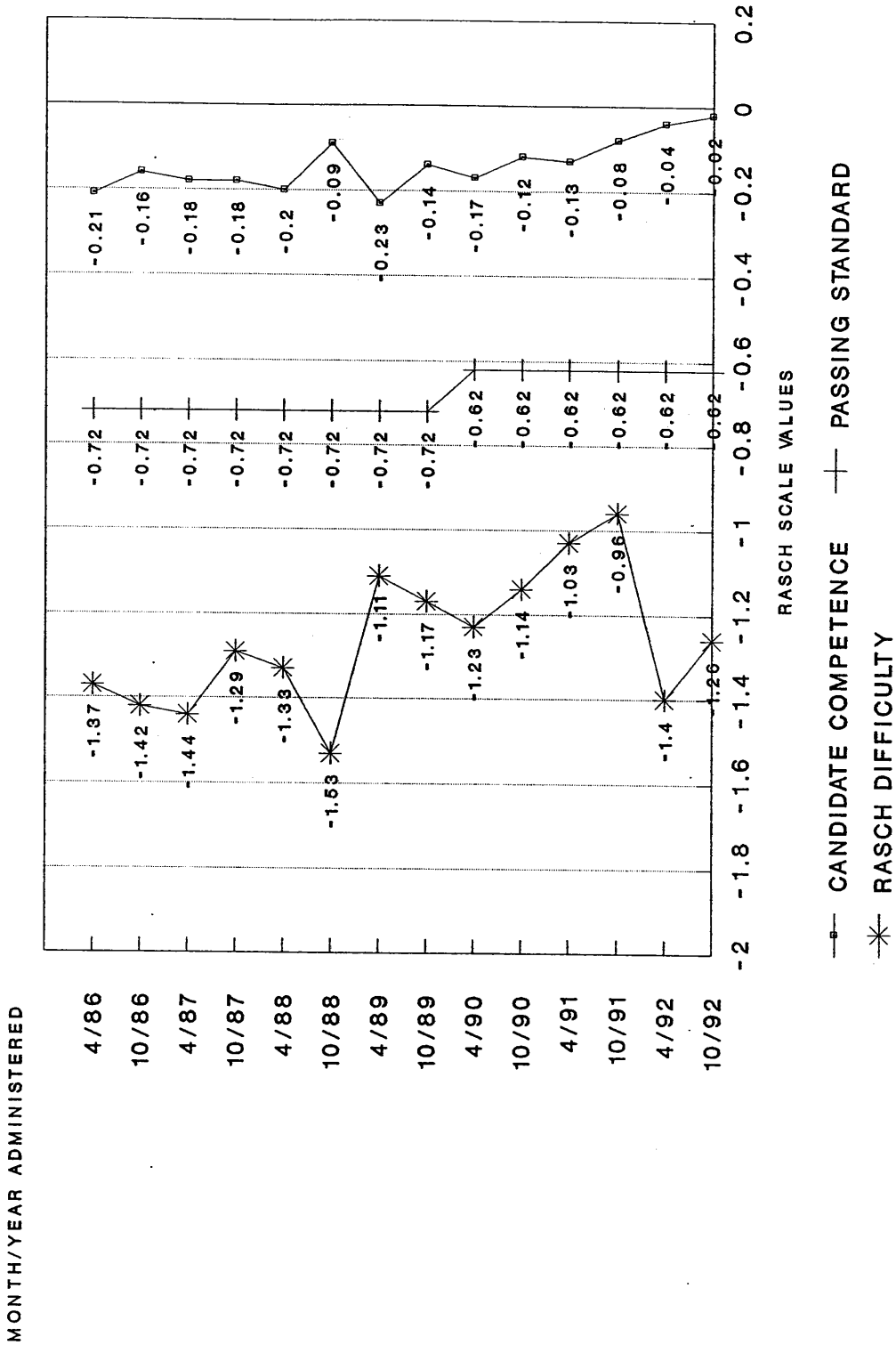


TABLE 8. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Type of Candidate	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
First-Time U.S. Educated	17791	91.5
Repeat U.S. Educated	7564	60.2
First-Time Foreign Educated	6012	53.8
Repeat Foreign Educated	10533	25.0
Total	42203	63.5
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	57	
Invalid Country Codes:	246	

TABLE 9. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing: Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
AL	431	94.7	95.0	100.0	93.7
AK	9	100.0	0.0	0.0	100.0
AS	4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
AZ	258	94.6	95.7	0.0	91.4
AR	404	90.6	94.9	88.8	81.3
CA	1932	89.6	91.1	81.9	89.0
CO	99	94.9	97.9	0.0	92.3
CM	0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CT	76	93.4	97.8	88.9	75.0
DE	58	96.6	96.4	0.0	100.0
DC	42	59.5	33.3	0.0	66.7
FL	1236	92.7	93.7	90.3	86.1
GA	179	88.3	87.9	0.0	90.0
GU	2	100.0	100.0	0.0	100.0
HI	63	79.4	85.4	0.0	60.0
ID	17	76.5	75.0	0.0	76.9
IL	690	90.1	92.7	85.7	83.9
IN	492	92.5	93.9	100.0	90.0
IA	377	91.0	91.4	94.7	87.0
KS	256	87.9	91.1	0.0	82.8
KY	305	96.1	97.1	0.0	92.3
LA	514	98.2	98.4	100.0	97.4
ME	82	97.6	100.0	0.0	75.0
MD	348	90.5	90.7	92.3	91.1
MA	279	89.2	91.3	89.2	87.1
MI	744	91.3	92.3	85.7	90.0
MN	146	94.5	95.5	0.0	85.7
MS	212	89.6	96.2	0.0	78.5
MO	368	96.7	97.5	94.4	96.6
MT	44	93.2	100.0	0.0	93.0
NE	157	95.5	100.0	97.8	93.5
NV	36	80.6	77.3	0.0	85.7
NH	4	75.0	75.0	0.0	0.0
NJ	439	95.7	96.7	94.2	100.0
NM	175	90.9	91.3	0.0	88.5
NY	1785	89.5	0.0	89.5	0.0
NC	281	97.5	98.9	96.8	92.7
ND	35	94.3	0.0	0.0	94.3
OH	953	90.1	0.0	90.1	0.0
OK	100	98.0	97.9	0.0	100.0
OR	22	90.9	100.0	0.0	77.8

TABLE 9. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (con't)

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing: Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
PA	870	90.0	87.7	91.8	87.7
PR	59	15.3	0.0	0.0	19.0
RI	33	78.8	81.3	0.0	76.5
SC	248	94.4	94.9	0.0	92.0
SD	42	97.6	83.3	0.0	100.0
TN	270	92.6	93.7	89.4	93.6
TX	1301	93.2	93.2	93.1	93.1
UT	220	92.7	91.7	0.0	94.7
VT	22	100.0	100.0	0.0	0.0
VI	0	0.0*	0.0	0.0	0.0
VA	275	89.1	90.1	89.5	84.1
WA	225	91.6	91.4	0.0	92.0
WV	21	71.4	100.0	100.0	77.8
WI	529	94.5	95.0	0.0	93.5
WY	22	95.5	100.0	0.0	100.0
Total:	17827	91.4	92.7	91.7	88.7
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	36				

* no candidates tested

TABLE 10. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Argentina	3	0.0
Australia	86	95.3
Austria	2	50.0
Bahamas	19	31.6
Bahrain	1	0.0
Barbados	3	33.3
Belgium	6	50.0
Belize (Br. Honduras)	4	25.0
Botswana	3	0.0
Brazil	17	35.3
Bulgaria	6	0.0
Burma	2	0.0
Cameroon, Free Republic of	3	66.7
Canada	560	85.7
Chile	8	37.5
Colombia	12	33.3
Costa Rica	2	0.0
Cuba	2	0.0
Czechoslovakia	8	62.5
Denmark	15	86.7
Dominica	4	50.0
Dominican Republic	5	0.0
Ecuador	3	33.3
Egypt, Arab Republic of	3	33.3
El Salvador	7	14.3
England	289	76.1
Rquatorial Guinea	1	0.0
Ethiopia	9	11.1
Fiji Islands	3	0.0
Finland	4	50.0
France	2	100.0
Gambia	1	0.0
Germany (Western)	26	53.8
Ghana	27	33.3
Greece	1	0.0
Grenadda and the Grenadines	1	100.0
Guayana	41	51.2
Haiti	44	2.3
Honduras	1	0.0
Hong Kong	125	55.2
Hungary	5	20.0
Iceland	3	66.7

TABLE 10. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
India	331	32.3
Indonesia	8	0.0
Iran	19	21.1
Iraq	1	0.0
Ireland	81	85.2
Israel	40	55.0
Italy	2	100.0
Ivory Coast	2	0.0
Jamaica	112	79.5
Japan	14	14.3
Jordan	4	0.0
Kenya	3	33.3
Korea	214	50.9
Korea (North)	6	83.3
Lebanon	7	71.4
Leeward Islands	6	50.0
Liberia	17	11.8
Macao	1	0.0
Malawi	1	0.0
Malaysia	4	100.0
Mauritius & Dependencies	1	100.0
Mexico	45	35.6
Nepal	1	0.0
Netherlands	12	83.3
New Zealand	94	84.0
Nicaragua	5	0.0
Niger	4	25.0
Nigeria	148	53.4
Northern Ireland	13	69.2
Norway	5	60.0
Pakistan	30	23.3
Panama, Republic of	14	21.4
Peoples Republic of China	59	49.2
Peru	21	23.8
Philippines	2799	50.4
Pitcairn Islands	1	100.0
Poland	28	39.3
Portugal	2	50.0
Rhodesia	4	25.0
Rumania Romania	15	13.3
Scotland	46	69.6
Sierra Leone	14	7.1

TABLE 10. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-RN 292 February 5-6, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Singapore	4	75.0
Somali Dem Republic Somalia	2	50.0
South Africa	19	68.4
Spain	6	66.7
Srilanka (Ceylon)	1	0.0
St Vincent	1	0.0
Surinam	1	0.0
Swaziland	2	0.0
Sweden	8	62.5
Switzerland	3	33.3
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	198	26.8
Tanzania, United Republic of	3	0.0
Thailand	35	48.6
Tonga	1	0.0
Trinidad & Tobago	37	62.2
Turkey	2	0.0
Uganda	2	0.0
Upper Volta	1	100.0
Uruguay	2	50.0
USSR	54	31.5
Vietnam	1	0.0
Wales	11	72.7
Western Samoa	1	0.0
Windward Islands	12	50.0
Yugoslavia	3	66.7
Zambia	1	100.0
Total:	6073	53.5
Invalid Country Codes:	61	

TABLE 11. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

NCLEX-RN July 8-9, 1992

Type of Candidate	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
First-Time U.S. Educated	63623	92.7
Repeat U.S. Educated	4734	41.8
First-Time Foreign Educated	5691	46.1
Repeat Foreign Educated	9819	12.0
Total	83867	77.2
Invalid Jurisdiction Codes:	56	
Invalid Country Codes:	53	

TABLE 12. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-RN 792 July 8-9, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing: Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
AL	1428	91.9	92.2	100.0	90.6
AK	65	96.9	97.8	0.0	95.0
AS	5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
AZ	534	95.9	96.4	0.0	93.8
AR	837	90.7	91.9	0.0	87.7
CA	3538	89.5	90.9	86.5	85.7
CO	711	94.2	95.5	0.0	92.9
CM	1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
CT	850	93.3	91.6	94.4	93.8
DE	229	90.8	93.2	100.0	86.5
DC	161	85.1	80.0	0.0	85.8
FL	2243	94.2	95.1	91.1	91.0
GA	1705	93.1	93.2	100.0	92.8
GU	9	66.7	0.0	0.0	75.0
HI	209	85.6	86.3	0.0	85.1
ID	321	94.4	95.2	0.0	91.2
IL	2683	92.2	92.6	97.0	90.3
IN	1615	92.4	93.2	84.8	91.3
IA	1125	93.6	94.0	96.3	90.2
KS	982	91.1	93.1	87.5	87.8
KY	1362	94.1	93.6	0.0	96.1
LA	932	95.7	94.9	100.0	95.7
ME	311	93.2	93.5	0.0	93.0
MD	1004	93.7	94.1	91.3	93.5
MA	1792	94.1	94.3	95.2	93.2
MI	2235	94.2	95.0	94.1	91.9
MN	1406	95.1	96.7	0.0	91.5
MS	1006	95.6	97.3	0.0	91.9
MO	1624	94.8	94.1	96.3	94.5
MT	202	89.1	87.4	0.0	91.8
NE	461	93.1	94.8	100.0	91.8
NV	205	91.7	91.5	0.0	92.0
NH	360	95.3	96.1	0.0	92.2
NJ	1634	94.2	94.5	94.6	92.8
NM	336	90.7	90.1	0.0	96.9
NY	4799	90.0	91.1	91.5	84.6
NC	2092	95.7	95.7	97.0	95.1
ND	219	88.1	0.0	0.0	88.1
OH	3369	94.0	93.9	95.5	93.3
OK	1084	92.4	92.7	0.0	91.9

TABLE 12. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (con't)

NCLEX-RN 792 July 8-9, 1992

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing: Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
OR	739	94.5	96.9	0.0	89.7
PA	4343	92.0	92.7	94.4	88.8
PR	131	9.9	0.0	0.0	13.4
RI	326	91.4	95.0	82.6	86.4
SC	827	95.2	94.8	0.0	96.4
SD	385	86.2	84.5	0.0	90.7
TN	1674	94.4	94.2	95.2	94.7
TX	3906	93.1	92.5	95.2	94.9
UT	425	93.2	91.9	0.0	97.8
VT	149	98.0	98.2	0.0	97.1
VI	12	75.0	66.7	0.0	0.0
VA	1692	92.1	92.8	95.7	89.2
WA	1090	95.5	96.0	0.0	94.0
WV	763	88.7	90.7	100.0	79.2
WI	1175	94.3	93.6	96.9	95.2
WY	237	93.7	94.7	0.0	89.8
Total	63623	92.7	93.3	94.8	90.9

Invalid Jurisdiction Codes: 35

Invalid Program Codes: 24

TABLE 13. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing

NCLEX-RN 792 July 8-9, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Afghanistan	2	0.0
Argentina	6	16.7
Australia	82	81.7
Austria	3	100.0
Bahamas	9	22.2
Bangladesh	2	0.0
Barbados	3	66.7
Belgium	9	44.4
Belize (Br. Honduras)	2	100.0
Brazil	14	21.4
Bulgaria	2	0.0
Cameroon, Free Republic of	2	0.0
Canada	1092	81.1
Chile	4	100.0
Cmnwlth of States - USSR	74	20.3
Colombia	13	15.4
Costa Rica	1	0.0
Czechoslovakia	3	0.0
Denmark	6	66.7
Dominica	3	33.3
Dominican Republic	4	0.0
Ecuador	2	0.0
Egypt, Arab Republic	5	20.0
El Salvador	7	0.0
England	328	67.1
Ethiopia	12	33.3
Fiji Islands	1	0.0
Finland	4	25.0
France	14	42.9
Gambia	3	0.0
Germany United	37	54.1
Ghana	26	34.6
Gilbert & Ellice Isl Colony	1	100.0
Greece	1	0.0
Grenada and the Grenadines	1	0.0
Guayana	31	51.6
Haiti	36	2.8
Honduras	2	0.0
Hong Kong	113	45.1
Hungary	2	0.0
India	4	75.0

TABLE 13. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-RN 792 July 8-9, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Indonesia	27	14.8
Iran	21	0.0
Ireland	71	56.3
Israel	14	64.3
Italy	2	100.0
Jamaica	77	49.4
Japan	16	37.5
Jordan	6	50.0
Kenya	6	33.3
Korea	219	34.7
Korea (North)	5	0.0
Kuwait	1	0.0
Laos	1	0.0
Lebanon	7	14.3
Leeward Islands	2	0.0
Lesotho	1	0.0
Liberia	15	0.0
Lithuania	1	0.0
Macao	1	0.0
Malaysia	2	50.0
Malta	1	0.0
Mauritius & Dependencies	1	0.0
Mexico	23	17.4
Netherlands	12	83.3
New Zealand	168	72.0
Nicaragua	8	12.5
Niger	1	0.0
Nigeria	180	36.7
Northern Ireland	12	58.3
Norway	6	50.0
Pakistan	31	16.1
Palestine	1	100.0
Panama. Republic of	15	13.3
Paraguay	3	33.3
Peoples Republic of China	50	30.0
Peru	12	25.0
Philippines	1915	32.1
Poland	36	27.8
Portugal	1	0.0
Rhodesia	3	0.0
Rumania Romania	9	33.3
Scotland	43	79.1

TABLE 13. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (con't)

NCLEX-RN 792 July 8-9, 1992

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Sierra Leone	10	10.0
Singapore	3	100.0
Somali Dem Republic Somalia	1	100.0
South Africa	61	62.3
Spain	3	66.7
Surinam	1	0.0
Sweden	10	80.0
Switzerland	6	100.0
Syria	1	0.0
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	155	14.2
Tanzania, United Republic of	1	0.0
Thailand	29	17.2
Trinidad & Tobago	27	51.9
Tunisia	1	100.0
Turkey	2	50.0
United Arab Emirates	1	100.0
Uruguay	1	100.0
Venezuela	2	0.0
Vietnam	2	0.0
Wales	10	100.0
Windward Islands	20	45.0
Yugoslavia	5	20.0
Zaire	1	0.0
Zambia	1	100.0
Total:	5691	46.1
Invalid Country Codes:	18	

TABLE 14. Summary Statistics for NCLEX-RN February 1992 and July 1992.

	February 1992	July 1992
Number of Test Items[a]	299	298
Number of Items Omitted	1	2
KR-20	.89	.87
Mean Item P-Value	.72	.71
Mean Point Biserial	.17	.16
* Mean Candidate Competence	.03	.06
Standard Error of Ability Estimate	.14	.13
* Passing Standard	-.52	-.47
* Mean Rasch Difficulty	-1.31	-1.16

[a] see Appendix A for definitions of terms

* These statistics are in units on the Rasch measurement scale.

FIGURE 4
NATIONAL PASSING RATE: REGISTERED NURSES
1986 - 1992

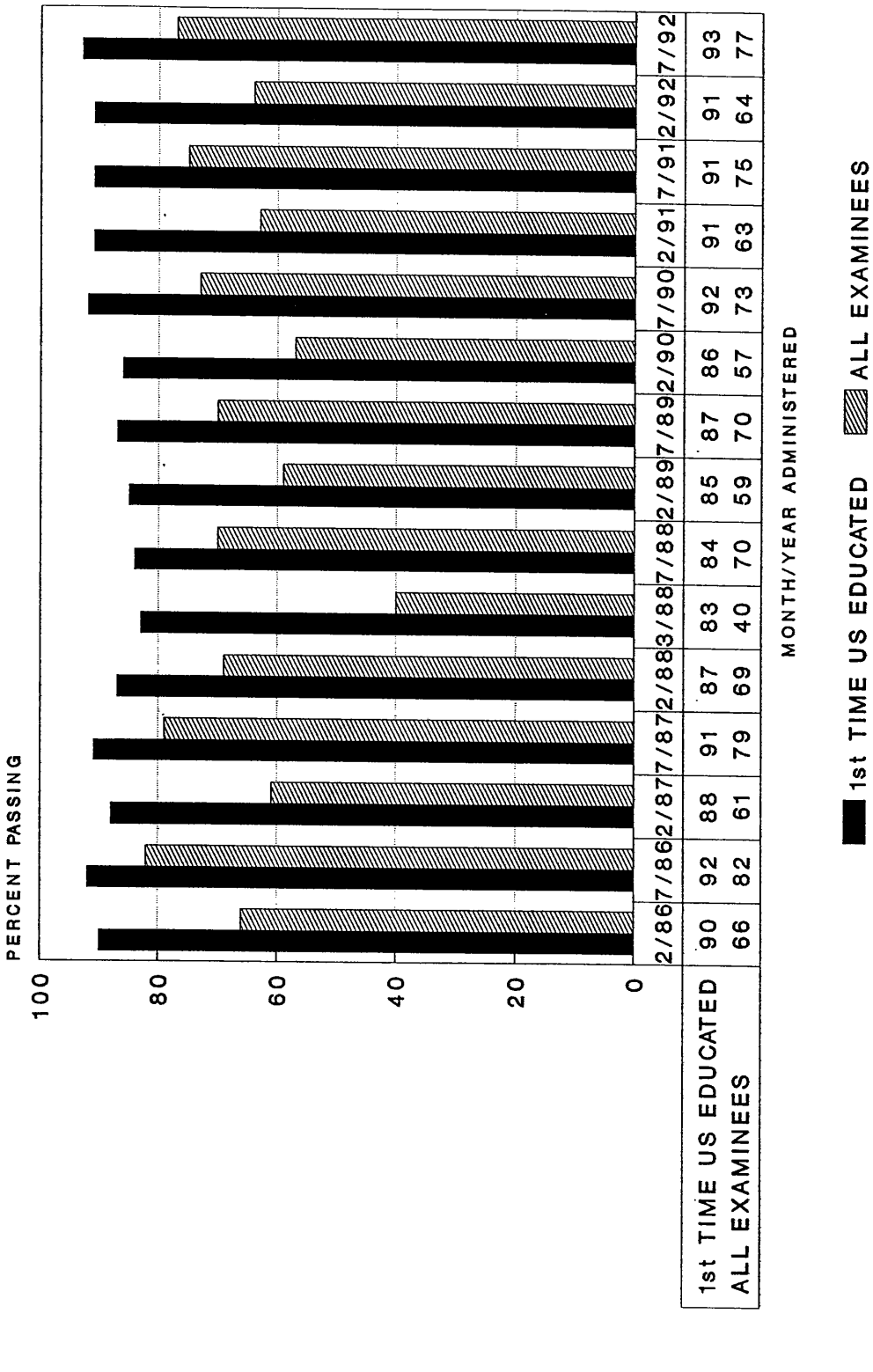


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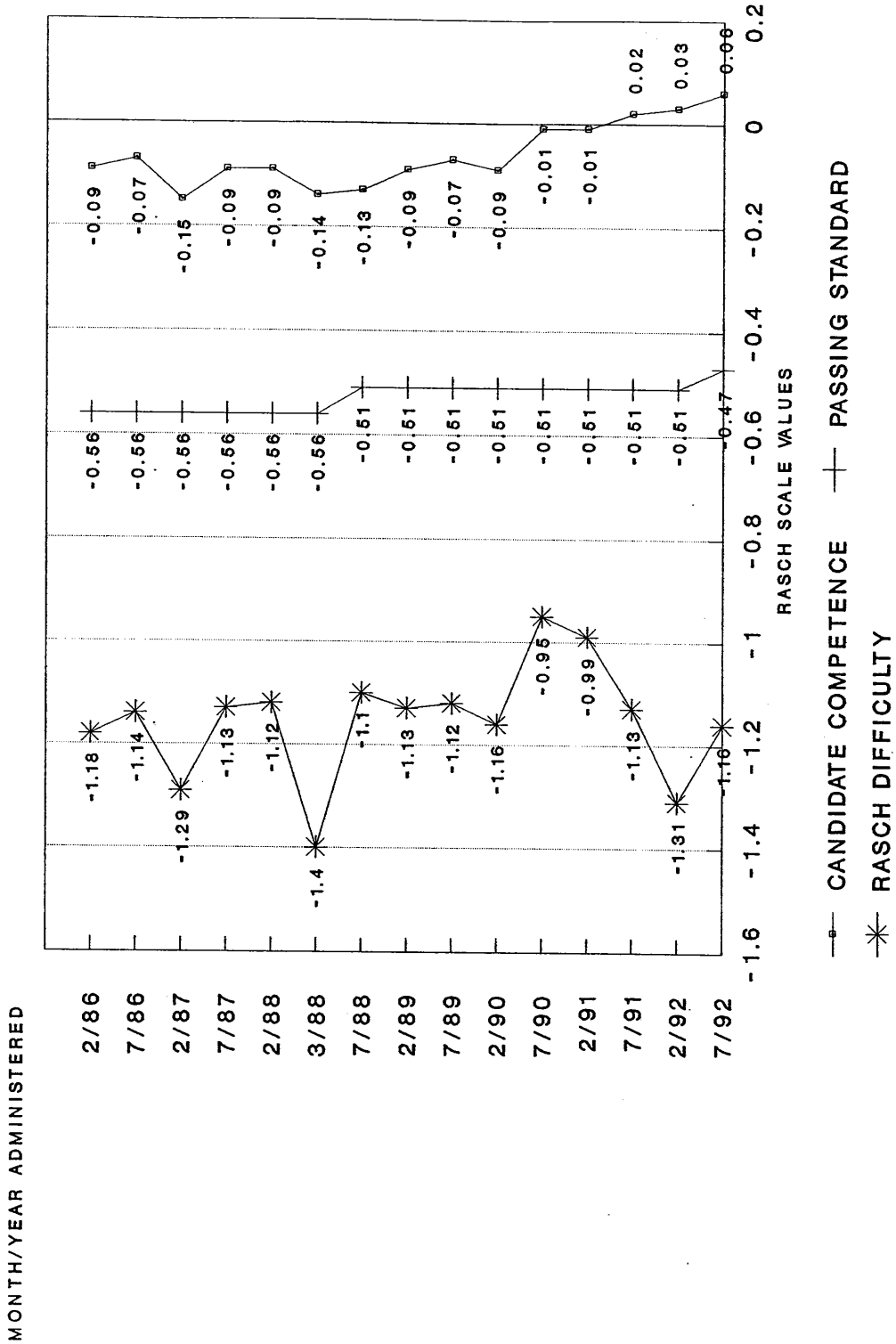
FIGURE 5. SUMMARY OF SELECTED NCLEX-RN
SUMMARY OF SELECTED NCLEX-RN STATISTICS,
1986 - 1992



APPENDIX A

LICENSURE EXAMINATION SUMMARY STATISTICS DEFINITIONS

Number of Test Items. Actual number of items on which candidate performance is determined.

Number of Items Omitted. These items were intended to be used for scoring, but were omitted due to questions about the items' content or unacceptable item statistics. For example, items are omitted if they have statistics that indicate that less competent candidates perform better on the item than more competent candidates.

KR-20. This is a measure of the internal consistency of the items in a test, or in other words, the extent to which candidates who do well on one question also do well on the others. If the questions are highly related to each other in the sense that they measure the same trait, the reliability will be high. This statistic also depends in part on the number of questions in the examination.

Mean Item P-Value. The value reported represents the average p-value of scored items on the test. An item's p-value is the proportion of first-time, US educated candidates who answered the item correctly.

Mean Point Biserial. The value reported represents the average point-biserial correlation for all scored items. The point biserial correlation represents how well items correlate with overall test performance. An item correlates positively if candidates who get the item right do better on the test than candidates who get the item wrong. The more positive the mean point biserial correlation of the test, the more effectively the items are working together to measure the same thing.

* ***Mean Candidate Competence.*** The value reported represents the average level of estimated competence for safe and effective nursing practice among all US educated candidates who took this examination for the first time.

Standard Error of Ability Estimate. This statistic provides an estimate of the amount of variation expected in the mean candidate competence, if the candidates were somehow retested again and again with the same instrument and with no learning or forgetting. Two-thirds of the scores would be expected to fall within a range of plus or minus one standard error of the original estimate.

* ***Passing Standard.*** The minimum level of competence a candidate must demonstrate in order to pass the examination. Currently, the passing standard is -.5207 for RN examinations and -.63 for PN examinations. The RN and PN standards are not directly comparable, however, because they are based on different item pools.

* ***Mean Rasch Difficulty.*** The value reported represents the average difficulty of scored test items. Using this statistic, (unlike mean item p-value, below), the difficulty of tests can be compared directly and independently of differences in the competence of candidates who took the tests.

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