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1986

Licensure and Examination Statistics

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**INTRODUCTION**

The National Council of State Boards of Nursing, Inc., is committed to establishing itself as a clearinghouse of information on the activities of its sixty-one Member Boards of Nursing. This information



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PART I

1986 LICENSURE STATISTICS

jurisdiction.

Information obtained from informants sources in each

**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 report actual or estimated total number of individuals holding

15	HI	Hawaii Board of Nursing	Y	Y	n
16	ID	Idaho Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
17	IL	Illinois Department of Registration and Education	Y	Y	n
18	IN	Indiana State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	n

20	KS	Kansas Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
21	KY	Kentucky Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
22	LA	Louisiana State Board of Nursing	Y	n	n

23	CA	California State Board of Practical Nurse Examiners	Y	Y	n
24	ME	Maine State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
25	MD	Maryland Board of Examiners			

26	MA	Massachusetts Board of Registration in Nursing	Y	Y	Y
27	MI	Michigan Board of Nursing	Y	Y	n
28	MN	Minnesota Board of Nursing	Y	Y	n
29	MS	Mississippi Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
30	MO	Missouri State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	n

31	MT	Montana State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
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32	ND	North Dakota State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
33	NV	Nevada State Board of Nursing	Y	Y	Y
34	NH	New Hampshire Board of Nurse			

		Registration	Y	Y	Y
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35	NJ	New Jersey State Board of Nursing			
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**TABLE 1. Boards of Nursing Empowered to License Registered Nurses, Practical/Vocational Nurses, or Other Categories of Nursing Personnel.**

(continued)

ID	JD	Board of Nursing	RN ?	PN/VN ?	Others ?
36	NM	New Mexico Board of Nursing	y	y	y
37	NY	New York State Board for Nursing	y	y	n
38	NC	North Carolina Board of Nursing	y	y	y
39	ND	North Dakota Board of Nursing	y	y	y
40	OH	Ohio Board of Nursing	y	y	y
41	OK	Education and Nurse Registration Oklahoma Board of Nurse Registration and Nursing Education	y	y	y
42	OR	Oregon State Board of Nursing	y	y	y
43	PA	Pennsylvania State Board of Nursing	y	y	y
44	RI	Rhode Island Board of Nursing	y	y	y
45	SC	Registration and Nursing Education State Board of Nursing for South Carolina	y	y	n
46	SD	South Dakota Board of Nursing	y	y	y
47	TN	Tennessee State Board of Nursing	y	y	n
48	TX	Board of Nurse Examiners for the State of Texas	y	n	n
49	TX	Texas Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners	n	y	n
50	UT	Utah State Board of Nursing	y	y	y
51	VT	Vermont State Board of Nursing	y	y	y
52	VA	Virginia State Board of Nursing	y	y	y
53	VI	Virgin Islands Board of Nurse Licensure	y	y	y
54	WA	Washington State Board of Nursing	y	n	y
55	WA	Washington State Board of			

**Table 2. Registered Nurses: Total Licenses Processed, by Jurisdiction (continued)**

	State				Processed	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
51 VT	593	0.39	6739	0.49	7332	0.48
52 VA	4367	2.89	26860	1.97	31227	2.06
53 VI	a	a	a	a	a	a
54 WA	2588	1.71	30726	2.25	33314	2.20
55 WA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
56 WV	1331	0.88	16378	1.20	17709	1.17
57 WV	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58 WI	3241	2.14	35591	2.61	38832	2.56
59 WY	379	0.25	3020	0.22	3399	0.22
60 AS	a	a	a	a	a	a
61 CM	24	0.02	0	0.00	24	0.00
62 CA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
Total	151236	100.00	1365797	100.00	1517033	100.00

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

ID	JD	Examination		Endorsement		New in State	
		n	%	n	%	n	%
1	AL	1745	2.25	834	1.39	2579	1.88
2	AK	80	0.10	410	0.69	490	0.36
3	AZ	927	1.20	2279	3.81	3206	2.33
4	AR	758	0.98	537	0.90	1295	0.94
5	CA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
6	CO	875	1.13	1699	2.84	2574	1.87
7	CT	1013	1.31	1014	1.69	2027	1.48
8	DE	409	0.53	454	0.76	863	0.63
9	DC	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
11	FL	3770	4.86	6135	10.25	9905	7.21
12	GA	1656	2.14	2434	4.07	4090	2.98
13	GA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
14	GU	24	0.03	37	0.06	61	0.04
15	HI	250	0.32	100	0.17	350	0.25
16	ID	207	0.27	710	1.10	858	0.62
17	IL	4230	5.45	1559	2.61	5789	4.21
18	IN	2098	2.71	1319	2.20	3417	2.49
19	IA	1403	1.81	652	1.09	2055	1.50
20	KS	1117	1.44	750	1.25	1867	1.36
21	KY	1704	1.48	216	0.36	2258	1.64
22	LA	934	1.20	1129	1.89	2063	1.50
23	LA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
24	ME	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
25	MD	1753	2.26	1789	2.99	3542	2.58
26	MA	3006	3.00	1538	2.57	4471	3.27
27	MI	3534	4.56	1278	2.14	4812	3.50
28	MN	1704	2.20	934	1.56	2638	1.92
29	MS	906	1.17	411	0.69	1317	0.96
30	MO	1971	2.54	1664	2.78	3635	2.65
31	MT	244	0.31	235	0.39	479	0.35
32	NE	604	0.78	318	0.53	922	0.67
33	NV	209	0.27	700	1.17	909	0.66
34	NH	321	0.41	1317	2.20	1638	1.19
35	NJ	3369	4.34	2440	4.08	5809	4.23
36	NM	442	0.57	680	1.14	1122	0.82
37	NY	7967	10.27	1869	3.12	9836	7.16
38	NC	2077	2.68	2091	3.49	4168	3.03
39	ND	716	0.92	207	0.34	510	0.37
40	OH	4885	6.30	1713	2.86	6598	4.80
41	OK	787	1.01	753	1.26	1540	1.12
42	OR	875	1.13	1088	1.82	1047	0.77

	n	%	n	%	n	%
51 VT	168	0.22	425	0.71	593	0.43
52 VA	1758	2.27	2609	4.36	4367	3.18
53 VI	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
54 WA	1288	1.66	1300	2.17	2588	1.88

56 WV	828	1.07	505	0.84	1551	0.97
57 WV	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58 WI	1964	2.53	1277	2.13	3241	2.36
59 WY	131	0.17	248	0.41	379	0.28

61 CM	5	0.01	19	0.03	24	0.02
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Total	77553	100.00	59840	100.00	137393	100.00
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ID	JD	Renewal		Reinstatement		Total Maintenance	
		n	%	n	%	n	%
1	AL	23183	1.72	290	1.33	23473	1.72
2	AK	3771	1.28	0	0.00	3771	0.28
3	AZ	27706	2.06	10	0.05	27716	2.03
4	AR	7442	0.57	1	0.01	7443	0.57

5	CA	105255	7.83	7	0.03	105262	7.71
6	CO	14828	1.10	240	1.10	15068	1.10
7	CT	48767	3.63	145	0.67	48912	3.58
8	DE	7437	0.55	107	0.49	7544	0.55
9	DC	a	a	a	a	a	a
11	FL	0	0.00	1000	4.60	1000	0.07
12	GA	41693	3.10	287	1.32	41980	3.07
13	IA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
14	IL	81	0.01	12	0.06	93	0.01

ID JD	Renewal		Reinstatement		Total Maintenance	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
51 VT	6739	0.50	0	0.00	6739	0.49
52 VA	25464	1.89	1396	6.42	26860	1.97
53 VI	a	a	a	a	a	a
54 WA	29300	2.18	1426	6.56	30726	2.25
55 WA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
56 WV	16378	1.22	0	0.00	16378	1.20
57 WV	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
58 WI	35591	2.65	0	0.00	35591	2.61
59 WY	2945	0.22	75	0.35	3020	0.22

60	a	a	a	a	a	a
61 CM	a	a	a	a	a	a

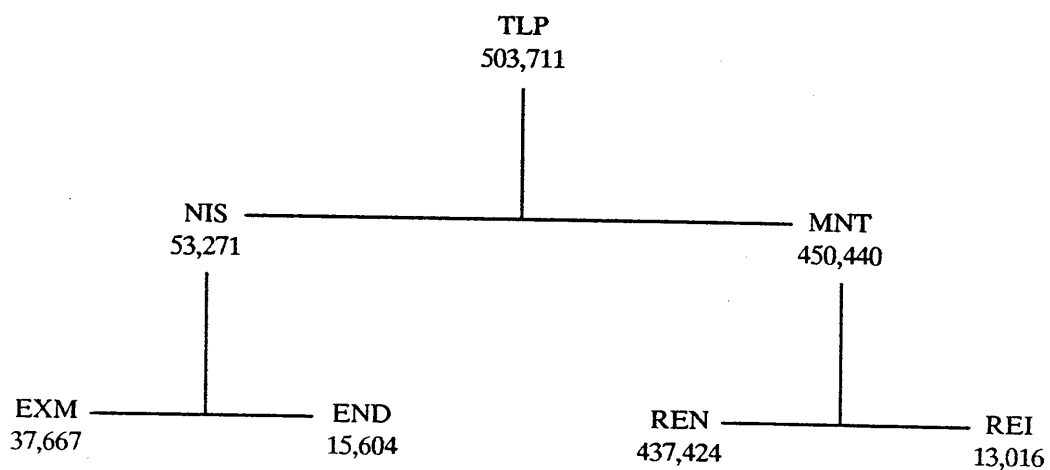
Total	1344001	100.00	21100	100.00	1365101	100.00
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Summary

Practical/Vocational Nurse Licenses Processed



KEY:

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

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

ID	JD	New in State		Maintenance		Total Processed	
		n	%	n	%	n	%
1	AL	1040	1.95	3471	0.77	4511	0.90
2	AK	68	0.13	779	0.17	847	0.17
3	AZ	1118	2.10	101	0.02	1219	0.24
4	AR	865	1.62	6431	1.43	7296	1.45
5	CA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
6	CO	701	1.32	8120	1.80	8821	1.75
7	CT	460	0.86	12112	2.69	12572	2.50
8	DE	177	0.33	24	0.01	201	0.04
9	DC	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
11	FL	3804	7.14	784	0.17	4588	0.91
12	GA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
13	GA	1960	3.68	144	0.03	2104	0.42
14	GU	18	0.03	35	0.01	53	0.01
15	HI	340	0.64	0	0.00	340	0.07
16	ID	213	0.40	3719	0.83	3932	0.78
17	IL	1669	3.13	15788	3.51	17457	3.47
18	IN	1094	2.05	15149	3.36	16243	3.22
19	IA	716	1.34	2540	0.56	3256	0.65
20	KS	736	1.38	7271	1.61	8007	1.59
21	KY	780	1.46	195	0.04	975	0.19
22	LA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
23	LA	1014	1.90	17519	3.89	18533	3.68
24	ME	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
25	MD	658	1.24	4589	1.02	5247	1.04
26	MA	993	1.86	11180	2.48	12173	2.42
27	MI	1533	2.88	20343	4.52	21876	4.34
28	MN	838	1.57	11378	2.53	12216	2.43
29	MS	533	1.00	0	0.00	533	0.11
30	MO	1173	2.20	19281	4.28	20454	4.06
31	MT	195	0.37	3135	0.70	3330	0.66
32	NE	312	0.59	5835	1.30	6147	1.22
33	NV	395	0.74	685	0.15	1080	0.21
34	NH	363	0.68	2325	0.52	2688	0.53
35	NJ	1812	3.40	26679	5.92	28491	5.66
36	NM	431	0.81	3039	0.67	3470	0.69
37	NY	7202	13.52	497	0.11	7699	1.53
38	NC	1279	2.40	8168	1.81	9447	1.88
39	ND	99	0.19	2962	0.66	3061	0.61
40	OH	1680	3.15	42214	9.37	43894	8.71
41	OK	861	1.62	225	0.05	1086	0.22
42	OR	553	1.04	2694	0.60	3247	0.64
43	PA	1931	3.62	49266	10.94	51197	10.16
44	RI	149	0.28	3361	0.75	3510	0.70
45	SC	952	1.79	9204	2.04	10156	2.02
46	SD	108	0.20	1409	0.31	1517	0.30
47	TN	1280	2.40	21116	4.69	22396	4.45
48	TX	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
49	TX	3388	6.36	35867	7.96	39255	7.79
50	UT	544	1.02	3972	0.88	4516	0.90

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**Table 5. Practical/Vocational Nurses: Total Licenses Processed, by Jurisdiction (continued)**

ID JD	New in State		Maintenance		Total Processed	
	n	%	n	%	n	%
51 VT	128	0.24	2774	0.62	2902	0.58
52 VA	1310	2.46	10846	2.41	12156	2.41
53 VI	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
54 WA	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
55 WA	1067	2.00	15731	3.49	16798	3.33
56 WV	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00
57 WV	488	0.92	7122	1.58	7610	1.51
58 WI	428	0.80	200	0.04	628	0.12
59 WY	130	0.24	1029	0.23	1159	0.23
60 AS	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
61 CM	a	0.00	a	0.00	a	0.00
62 CA	3685	6.92	29132	6.47	32817	6.52
<b>Total</b>	<b>53271</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>450440</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>503711</b>	<b>100.00</b>

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18 IN	12	0.58	3	0.13
19 IA	10	0.32	1	0.04
20 KS	7	0.22	0	0.00
21 KY	9	0.28	1	0.04
22 LA	55	1.74	0	0.00
23 LA	0	0.00	0	0.00
24 ME	0	0.00	0	0.00
25 MD	84	2.65	0	0.00
26 MA	35	1.10	0	0.00
27 MI	0	0.00	0	0.00
28 MN	52	1.64	1	0.04
29 MS	9	0.28	0	0.00
30 MO	22	0.69	6	0.26
31 MT	4	0.13	0	0.00
32 NE	6	0.19	0	0.00
33 NV	6	0.19	10	0.44
34 NH	13	0.41	7	0.31
35 NJ	634	20.01	129	5.67
36 NM	0	0.00	0	0.00
37 NY	1305	41.18	1248	54.81
38 NC	10	0.32	0	0.00
39 ND	1	0.03	0	0.00
40 OH	88	2.78	4	0.18
41 OK	33	1.04	1	0.04
42 OR	0	0.00	0	0.00
43 PA	157	4.95	3	0.13
44 RI	2	0.06	0	0.00
45 SC	21	0.66	4	0.18
46 SD	3	0.09	0	0.00
47 TN	28	0.88	0	0.00
48 TX	240	7.57	0	0.00
49 TX	0	0.00	27	1.19
50 UT	10	0.32	3	0.13



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**Table 9. Number of Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs Licensed, by Jurisdiction (continued)**

ID JD	RN Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs		PN/VN Graduates of Foreign Nursing Programs	
	n	%	n	%
52 VA	37	1.17	2	0.09
53 VI	0	0.00	0	0.00
54 WA	0	0.00	0	0.00
55 WA	0	0.00	32	1.41
57 WV	0	0.00	0	0.00
58 WI	93	2.93	1	0.04
60 AS	0	0.00	0	0.00
61 CM	8	0.25	0	0.00
62 CA	0	0.00	679	29.82
<b>Total</b>	<b>3169</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>2277</b>	<b>100.00</b>

Summary

Specialty Licenses Processed

SPC  
7,921

4,655	366	591	4,259
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KEY:

SPC: Total Specialty Licenses Processed

ANS Nurse Anesthetist

MDW: Nurse Midwife

CNS: Clinical Nurse Specialist

NPR: All categories of nurse practitioners

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

Key	Category	Number of Boards	
		n	%
ANS	nurse anesthetist	29	74*
MDW	nurse midwife	36	92
CNS	clinical nurse specialist	12	31
<b>Nurse Practitioners</b>			
NEO	neonatal	11	28
FAM	family	19	49
FPN	family planning	11	28
GER	geriatric	14	36
EMR	emergency	11	28
SCH	school	16	41
COL	college	6	15
WOM	ob-gyn/women's health	18	46
PSY	psychiatric/mental health	12	31
OTC	other specialty	6	15
CHP	child health	18	46
NPR	nurse practitioner (no designation)	22	56
OTS	other specialty	12	31
Total Number of Boards Empowered to Issue Specialty Licenses or Certificates		39	

\*percentage calculated based on 39 boards empowered to grant specialty

licenses.

61 CM 0

0  
0

Totals

2635 366 591 33 523 51 97 5 39 0 343 134 36 208 125 2236 143 7921

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**Table 12. Total Number of Active Specialty Licenses Within the 61 Member Board Jurisdictions**

Key	Category	Number of Active Licenses	
		n	%
ANS	nurse anesthetist	8424	30.58
MDW	nurse midwife	1745	6.34
CNS	clinical nurse specialist	1490	5.41
<b>Nurse Practitioners</b>			
NEO	neonatal	175	0.64
FAM	family	1996	7.25
FPN	family planning	301	1.09
GER	geriatric	261	0.95
EMR	emergency	29	0.11
SCH	school	115	0.42
COL	college	9	0.03
WOM	ob-gyn/women's health	913	3.31
CHP	child health	892	3.24
NPR	nurse practitioner (no designation)	7793	28.29
OTS	other specialty	528	1.92
<b>Total</b>			<b>27545</b>

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

ID	JD	ANS	MDW CNS NEO			FAM FPN GER EMR			SCH	COL	WOM	PSY	PRI	AHP	CHP	NPR	OTS	TOTAL	
		n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	ACTIVE LICENSES
1	AL	750	10													260	0	1020	
3	AZ		65		55	198			9		80			73	78			558	
4	AR	259	9													446		714	
5	CA	1015	561													3671	60	5507	
7	CT		51															51	
8	DE	86	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	86	
11	FL	1118	227			256	55	84	14		173	205		196		165		2493	
12	GA	0	0	0												321		321	
14	GU	0	0													0		0	
16	ID	0														110		110	
19	IA	192	9			28			10	31	7			74				351	
20	KS	2	1	23												140		166	
21	KY	371	40	9												182	10	612	
22	LA	874	21	389												137		1394	
24	ME	a	a	a		a	a	a	a		a		a	a	a	a		a	
26	MA	719	139	317												1430		2605	
27	MI	a	a													a		a	
29	MS	251	20		1	29	7			22			1	20				351	
31	MT	95	14													82		191	
32	NE	224	0													22		246	
33	NV	6	4		3	17	24	3	5		11	3	1	5			5	87	
34	NH		20			54		8	1	6	31	5	44	36				205	
36	NM	164			12	107	0	24	0	2	0	41	0	14	34			398	
38	NC	820	42	560	3	448	54	11	4	1	27		12	45		15		2042	
39	ND		1	4												69	7	81	
41	OK		30													170		200	
42	OR		78			98		15	3	9	82	78	131	88	3			585	
43	PA				11	232	60	35	5	23	114	0	254	153	226		0	1113	
46	SD	138	4		9	31				1		1	3	3				190	
48	TX	471	103	144	81	155	98	10		41	98			27	81			1309	
50	UT	69	48	50												245		412	
51	VT	a	a			a		a	a		a	a		a			a	173	
52	VA	a	a		a	a	a	a	a		a	a		a	a		a	1496	
54	WA	399	98			333		70		18	188	127	109	65		65		1407	
56	WV		19															19	
58	WI		36															36	
59	WY	44	2	3		10	3	1		1	0	15	1	3	6	0	1	90	
61	CM		0															0	
<b>Total</b>		<b>8424</b>	<b>1745</b>	<b>1490</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>1996</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>913</b>	<b>222</b>	<b>459</b>	<b>571</b>	<b>892</b>	<b>7793</b>	<b>528</b>	<b>27545</b>

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PART II

1986 LICENSURE EXAMINATION STATISTICS

... of the National Council's test service, following each administration of an examination.



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**Table 1. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing by Type of Candidate**

NCLEX-PN		April 15, 1986	
Type of Candidate	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing	
First-Time U.S. Educated	12925	88	
Repeat U.S. Educated	3327	46	
Repeat Foreign Educated	436	31	
<b>Total</b>	<b>17033</b>	<b>78</b>	
Illegal Jurisdiction Codes:	137		
Illegal Country Codes:	3		

TABLE 21. NUMBER OF CANDIDATES EXAMINED AND PASSING RATES FOR  
**First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions**

NCLEX-PN 486

April 15, 1986

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
AL	394	85
AK	0	0*
AS	5	40
AZ	142	92
AR	112	88
CA	52	90
CO	38	79
CT	284	99
DE	5	80
DC	24	58
FL	928	89
GA	307	80
GU	0	0*
HI	0	0*
ID	45	100
IL	362	74
IN	252	94
IA	144	93
KS	96	88
KY	288	90
LA	293	91
ME	49	96
MD	70	91
MA	41	93
MI	346	92
MN	94	91
MO	142	95
MT	50	92
NE	100	91
NV	45	87
NJ	374	76
NM	88	93
NY	3409	88
NC	101	91
ND	29	83
OH	410	94
OK	189	84
OR	61	95
PA	758	89
RI	0	0*
SC	140	94
SD	6	83
TN	411	94
TX	860	86

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Table 2 Number of Candidates Examined

First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

(continued)

NCLEX-PN 486

April 15, 1986

Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates	Percent of Total
UT	126	93
VT	19	100
VI	0	0*
VA	595	96
WA	199	96
WV	82	90
WI	111	83
WY	7	100
<b>Total</b>	<b>12833</b>	
Illegal jurisdiction codes: 137		
Illegal program codes: 92		

\* no candidates tested

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

NCLEX-PN 486		April 15, 1986	
Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing	
Belgium	1	0	
Canada	11	45	
England	50	62	
Ethiopia	3	67	
Germany (Western)	1	0	
Ghana	2	100	
Guayana	1	0	
Hong Kong	2	0	
India	84	44	
Iran	2	0	
Israel	1	100	
Jamaica	2	100	
Korea	12	50	
Laos	1	100	
Liberia	2	50	
New Zealand	1	100	
Nicaragua	2	0	
Nigeria	10	70	
Pakistan	2	0	
Peoples Republic of China	1	0	
Peru	2	50	
Philippines	123	63	
Poland	1	100	
Portugal	1	0	
Puerto Rico	17	12	
Rumania Romania	2	50	
Singapore	1	100	
St. Lucia	1	0	
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	3	33	
Trinidad & Tobago	2	100	
Yugoslavia	1	0	
<b>Total</b>	<b>345</b>		
<b>Illegal Country codes</b>	<b>3</b>		

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**Table 4. Number of Candidates Who Passed the NCLEX-PN**

**Passing by Type of Candidate**

<b>NCLEX-PN</b>		<b>October 15, 1986</b>	
<b>Type of Candidate</b>	<b>Number of Candidates</b>	<b>Percent Passing</b>	
First-Time U.S. Educated	21859	89	
Repeat U.S. Educated	2800	38	
First-Time Foreign Educated	978	36	
Repeat Foreign Educated	1185	12	
<b>Total</b>	<b>26822</b>	<b>78</b>	
Illegal Jurisdiction Codes:	125		
Illegal Country Codes:	1		

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Table 3. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions

NCLEX-PN 086		October 15, 1986
Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing
AL	443	80
AK	1	100
AS	8	13
AZ	200	95
AR	407	82
CA	1652	74
CO	231	94
CT	13	92
DE	93	88
DC	32	91
FL	971	87
GA	504	81
GU	0	0*
ID	89	91
IL	852	85
IN	473	96
IA	475	97
KS	324	96
KY	340	89
LA	517	93
ME	122	98
MD	177	97
MA	608	95
MI	603	94
MN	595	92
MS	276	81
MO	618	93
MT	68	99
NE	135	97
NV	53	96
NH	80	99
NJ	641	85
NM	134	97
NY	2778	82
NC	661	92
ND	26	96
OH	869	93
OK	362	90
OR	229	99
PA	947	91
RI	79	95
SC	432	91
SD	32	94
TN	430	94
TX	1605	91

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**Table 5. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for  
First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions  
(continued)**

**NCLEX-PN 086                      October 15, 1986**

<b>Jurisdiction Code</b>	<b>Number of Candidates</b>	<b>Percent of Candidates</b>
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	<b>Examined</b>	<b>Passing</b>
UT	302	97
VT	51	100
VI	0	0*
VA	247	87
WA	474	87

WI	88	90
WY	40	100

**Total                      21702**

**Illegal jurisdiction codes: 125**

**Illegal program codes: 157**

**\* no candidates tested**

Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing

NCLEX-PN 086

October 15, 1986

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
American Samoa	1	0
Argentina	3	33
Australia	1	100
Belgium	1	0
Brazil	1	0
Cameroon, Free Republic of	1	0
Canada	16	56
Colombia	1	0
El Salvador	5	40
England	62	71
Ethiopia	1	0
Germany (Western)	6	83
Grenada and the Grenadines	1	100
Guatemala	1	0
Guayana	1	100
Honduras	1	0
Hong Kong	6	67
Hungary	1	100
India	91	35
Indonesia	3	33
Iran	10	30
Ireland	1	100
Israel	3	0
Jamaica	5	80
Japan	3	33
Kenya	1	100
Korea	24	38
Korea (North)	2	0
Laos	1	0
Lebanon	1	0
Leeward Islands	2	0
Liberia	1	0
Macao	1	0
Malawi	1	0
Mexico	12	33
New Zealand	1	0
Nicaragua	4	75
Nigeria	13	62
Northern Ireleand	1	100
Pakistan	3	33
Panama, Republic of	1	0
Peoples Republic of China	4	25
Peru	4	25
Philippines	591	32
Poland	2	50
Portugal	1	0
Puerto Rico	19	5
Rumania Romania	3	33
Scotland	1	100
Sierra Leone	1	0
South Africa	1	100
Srilanka (Ceylon)	1	0



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**Table 6. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (continued)**

<b>Country of Education</b>	<b>Number of Candidates</b>	<b>Percent Passing</b>
Sweden	1	0
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	40	30
Thailand	7	29
Trinidad & Tobago	1	100
USSR	1	0
Vietnam	4	0
Western Samoa	1	0
<b>Total</b>	<b>978</b>	
<b>Illegal Country Codes</b>	<b>1</b>	

Table 7. Summary Statistics for NCLEX-PN April 1986  
and NCLEX-PN October 1986

	April 1986	October 1986
Number of Items Omitted	0	0
KR-20	.86	.88
Mean Difficulty of Test	.73	.75
Mean Discrimination of Test	.17	.18
Mean Ability Estimate	-.21	-.16
Standard Error of Ability Estimate	.17	.17
Passing Score Ability Estimate	-.72	-.71

\* See Appendix A for definitions

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**Table 8. Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing by Type of Candidate**

NCLEX-RN		February 4-5, 1986	
Type of Candidate	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing	
First-Time U.S. Educated	15603	90	
Repeat U.S. Educated	8462	60	
First-Time Foreign Educated	2077	78	
Repeat Foreign Educated	6228	23	
Total	33226	66	
Illegal Jurisdiction Codes:	113		
Illegal Country Codes:	8		

Number of Percent of Candidates Passing:

JURISDICTION Code	Candidates Examined	Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
AL	481	90	93	88	87
AK	22	95	100	0*	95
AS	3	0	0	0*	0*
AZ	287	92	91	0*	93
AR	205	88	86	92	76
CA	1903	89	87	97	91
CO	65	94	95	100	85
CT	30	90	93	100	86
DE	46	85	100	82	50
DC	50	58	32	0*	79
FL	969	89	90	93	82
GA	50	92	96	0*	0
GU	4	25	25	0*	0*

IA	269	94	92	92	95
IL	566	85	86	88	81
IN	514	95	96	97	93
IA	269	94	92	92	95
KS	181	88	90	100	87

LA	367	96	95	98	94
ME	14	93	92	0*	100
MD	331	92	93	98	81
MA	181	86	86	92	83
MI	732	94	93	98	94
MN	173	94	94	100	95
MS	245	86	87	50	84
MO	288	94	94	94	97
MT	58	98	100	0*	98
NE	169	95	93	95	95
NV	30	93	93	0*	100
NH	8	88	83	0*	100
NJ	367	88	87	90	88
NM	105	89	84	0*	100
NY	1790	85	85	93	80
NC	200	92	91	100	90
ND	91	91	100	93	90
CM	0	0*			
OH	1000	94	95	97	87
OK	59	85	88	0*	70
OR	47	98	97	100	100
PA	590	88	83	92	80
RI	45	82	0	100	85
SC	245	96	95	100	96
SD	68	90	100	90	89
TN	287	91	90	93	85
TX	1041	90	87	86	93

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**Table 9. Number of Candidates Examined and Passing Rates for First-Time Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (continued)**

NCLEX-RN 286

February 4-5, 1986

Jurisdiction	Candidates	Passed	Percentage	Number of Candidates	Percentage
Code	Examined	Total	Degree	Degree	Degree
WA	262	95	95	0*	95
WV	61	82	80	0*	100
WI	510	94	95	91	94
WY	7	57	0	0*	67
<b>Total</b>	<b>15569</b>				

Illegal jurisdiction codes: 113  
 Illegal program codes: 34

\* no candidates tested

Afghanistan	1	0
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Austria	1	0
Bahamas	2	0
Barbados	2	0
Belgium	2	50
Belize (Br. Honduras)	3	33
Botswana	1	0
Brazil	3	33
Cameroon, Free Republic of	1	0
Canada	185	86

Colombia	8	50
Costa Rica	2	50
Cuba	1	0

Denmark	4	100
Dominica	2	0

Egypt, Arab Republic of	1	100
El Salvador	7	0
England	171	76
Ethiopia	7	0
Finland	4	50
France	4	50
Germany (Eastern)	1	100
Germany (Western)	14	57
Ghana	8	38
Grenada and the Grenadines	1	0
Guatemala	1	0
Guayana	31	48
Haiti	27	44
Honduras	2	0
Hong Kong	14	71
Hungary	1	0
Iceland	2	100
India	188	23
Indonesia	1	0
Iran	34	26

Ireland	17	78
Israel	27	67
Italy	1	100
Jamaica	63	59
Japan	2	0
Jordan	1	0
Kenya	2	0
Korea	120	45
Korea (North)	2	50
Lebanon	10	40
Leeward Islands	5	60

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Table 10. Number of First-Time Candidates Not Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions Taking NCLEX and Percent Passing (continued)

NCLEX-RN 286 February 4 - 5, 1986

Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing
Liberia	7	29
Lithuania	1	100
Malawi	3	100

Mexico

Netherlands	13	77
New Zealand	14	86
Nicaragua	4	0
Nigeria	29	10
Northern Ireland	4	75
Norway	5	80
Pakistan	6	17
Panama, Republic of	1	0
Peoples Republic of China	2	50
Peru	6	0

Pitcairn Islands	2	50
Poland	8	38
Portugal	4	50
Puerto Rico	74	9
Rhodesia	2	0
Rumania Romania	3	0

Sierra Leone	2	0
Singapore	2	50
South Africa	14	86
Sudan	1	0
Sweden	15	67
Switzerland	4	100
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	48	40

Thailand	27	15
Trinidad & Tobago	6	67
Turkey	1	0
USSR	6	67
Wales	3	67

**Percent Passing by Type of Candidate**

**NCLEX-RN**

**July 15-16, 1986**

<b>Type of Candidate</b>	<b>Number of Candidates</b>	<b>Percent Passing</b>
First-Time U.S. Educated	63164	92
Repeat U.S. Educated	4961	51
First-Time Foreign Educated	2738	30
Repeat Foreign Educated	6130	20
<b>Total</b>	<b>76993</b>	<b>82</b>
Illegal Jurisdiction Codes:	114	
Illegal Country Codes:	50	



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

NCLEX-RN 786		July 15-16, 1986			
Jurisdiction Code	Number of Candidates Examined	Percent of Candidates Passing:			
		Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
AL	1353	90	91	84	89
AK	38	92	91	0*	94
AS	0	0*			
AZ	519	96	96	0*	97
AR	570	91	93	0*	86
CA	3826	90	90	92	90
CO	584	95	97	96	93
CT	861	93	93	94	91
DE	292	88	90	100	86
DC	296	83	56	0*	87
FL	2137	92	93	94	89
GA	1377	91	93	87	91
GU	20	65	65	0*	0*
HI	102	92	92	0*	0*
ID	238	96	96	0*	97
IL	3528	90	91	90	88
IN	1655	93	94	94	91
IA	1371	92	92	92	91
LA	650	95	94	97	94
ME	364	90	86	96	93
MD	1068	94	94	94	94
MA	2327	92	93	95	90
MI	2529	94	95	93	91
MN	1378	94	93	98	94
MS	795	92	94	100	88
MO	1514	92	89	95	92
MT	197	96	98	0*	95
NE	533	92	91	95	90
NV	148	97	95	0*	100
NH	342	93	92	98	93
NJ	1731	88	89	88	87
NM	342	92	90	0*	98
NY	5186	88	89	90	86
NC	1727	92	94	96	87
ND	328	92	94	92	92
CM	13	8	8	0*	0*

**Candidates Educated in Member Board Jurisdictions (continued)**

NCLEX-RN 786

July 15-16, 1986

Jurisdiction	Number of	Percent of Candidates Passing:			
	Examined	Total	Associate Degree	Diploma	Baccalaureate Degree
TX	2544	93	93	98	92
UT	312	95	95	0*	95
VT	199	89	89	0*	90
VI	10	30	30	0*	0*
VA	1486	92	93	90	92
WA	1011	96	96	0*	96
WV	808	88	88	93	87
WI	1498	94	96	92	93
WY	128	90	88	0*	93
<b>Total</b>	<b>63038</b>				

Illegal jurisdiction coeds: 114  
 Illegal program codes: 136

\* no candidates tested

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

NCLEX-RN 786		July 15 - 16, 1986	
Country of Education	Number of Candidates	Percent Passing	
Afghanistan	1	0	
Argentina	3	33	
Ascension	1	0	
Australia	13	100	
Austria	1	100	
Bahamas	2	50	
Barbados	2	0	
Belgium	1	100	
Belize (Br. Honduras)	2	50	
Brazil	4	75	
Cameroon, Free Republic of	1	0	
Canada	178	89	
Chile	5	20	
Colombia	6	50	
Cuba	4	0	
Czechoslovakia	4	50	
Denmark	4	100	
Dominica	1	0	
Ecuador	1	0	
Egypt, Arab Republic of	4	75	
El Salvador	8	13	
England	169	82	
Ethiopia	7	29	
Finland	2	50	
France	5	80	
Germany (Western)	15	73	
Ghana	7	14	
Greece	1	0	
Guayana	26	88	
Haiti	15	27	
Honduras	1	100	
Hong Kong	17	53	
India	186	31	
Indonesia	1	0	
Iran	24	8	
Ireland	108	69	
Israel	14	71	
Italy	2	50	
Jamaica	93	66	
Japan	9	44	
Jordan	5	0	
Korea	85	41	
Korea (North)	1	0	
Lebanon	6	33	
Malaysia	1	100	
Mexico	9	11	
Netherlands	5	60	
Netherlands Antilles	1	0	
New Zealand	9	89	

Nigeria	32	16
Northern Ireleand	8	88
Norway	4	100
Okinawa	1	0
Pakistan	7	14
Panama, Republic of	3	0
Peoples Republic of China	3	67
Peru	3	33

Pitcairn Islands	1	100
Poland	5	0
Puerto Rico	80	13
Rumania Romania	8	38
Scotland	13	85
Sierra Leone	1	0

South Africa	12	75
Spain	6	67
St. Vincent	1	0
Surinam	1	0
Sweden	9	78
Taiwan (Repub. of China)	38	34
Thailand	19	0
Trinidad & Tobago	8	25
USSR	1	0
Uruguay	1	100
Wales	4	75

<del>Yugoslavia</del>	0	0
Yugoslavia	1	0

**Total** 2738

**Illegal Country Codes** 50

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**Table 14. Summary Statistics for NCLEX-RN February 1986  
and NCLEX-RN July 1986**

	<b>February 1986</b>	<b>July 1986</b>
Number of Test Items	200	200
Number of Items Omitted	2	0
KR-20	.88	.86
Mean Difficulty of Test	.72	.71
Mean Discrimination of Test	.15	.13
Estimate	.14	.14
Passing Score Ability		
Estimate	-.56	-.55
Mean Rasch Difficulty	-1.18	-1.14

\* See Appendix A for definitions

the average item difficulty. It is on the same scale as the mean Ability Estimate (see above). The advantage of the Mean Rasch Difficulty over the Mean Difficulty (see above) is that its calculation is free from dependence on the abilities of the particular group of candidates taking the examination. The Rasch difficulty index for NCLEX items ranges between -3.00 (very easy) to +1.00 (quite difficult).