

2020 Number of Candidates Taking NCLEX Examination and Percent Passing, by Type of Candidate

RN	JanMarch ^{3,6}		April-June ⁷		July-Sep.		OctDec.		Year to Date Total	
Type of Candidate	#1	% ²	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated			-		•					
Diploma	476	87.39%	518	90.15%	937	86.23%	249	76.71%	2,180	86.33%
Baccalaureate Degree	22,361	92.83%	25,241	92.31%	31,718	88.57%	9,323	84.55%	88,643	90.29%
Associate Degree	22,846	86.53%	25,722	85.44%	28,941	80.81%	9,011	72.22%	86,520	82.80%
Invalid or Special Program Codes	9	44.44%	12	83.33%	17	23.53%	26	53.85%	64	50.00%
Total First Time, US Educated	45,692	89.61%	51,493	88.85%	61,613	84.87%	18,609	78.44%	177,407	86.57%
Repeat, US Educated	6,409	41.24%	11,511	40.01%	14,878	44.31%	12,185	44.93%	44,983	42.94%
First Time, Internationally Educated	4,168	48.30%	1,969	38.95%	3,007	42.83%	2,759	41.14%	11,903	43.71%
Repeat, Internationally Educated	3,738	30.39%	4,375	23.89%	5,757	23.73%	4,236	22.43%	18,106	24.84%
All Candidates	60,007	77.89%	69,348	75.23%	85,255	72.18%	37,789	58.63%	252,399	72.35%

PN	JanMarch ^{4,6}		April-June ^{5,7}		July-Sep.		OctDec.		Year to Date Total	
Type of Candidate	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
First Time, US Educated	10,055	86.01%	8,956	84.62%	17,699	82.84%	8,951	78.73%	45,661	83.08%
Repeat, US Educated	2,505	33.25%	3,489	37.23%	4,564	34.14%	4,062	37.44%	14,620	35.64%
First Time, Internationally Educated	136	52.21%	144	53.47%	160	56.25%	120	57.50%	560	54.82%
Repeat, Internationally Educated	120	19.17%	143	34.27%	248	25.81%	200	21.00%	711	25.04%
All Candidates	12,816	74.71%	12,732	70.72%	22,671	72.22%	13,333	65.09%	61,552	70.89%

¹ The # symbol denotes the number of candidates who took the exam.

⁷ Due to COVID-19, the April quarterly data contain NCLEX examinations administered from March 25 to June 30, 2020.



²The % symbol denotes the percentage of candidates that passed the exam.

³ The RN Passing Standard is 0.00 logits.

⁴ The PN Passing Standard is -0.21 logits.

⁵ The PN Passing Standard is -0.18 logits.

⁶ Due to COVID-19, the January quarterly data contain NCLEX examinations administered from January 1 to March 24, 2020.