



The Pathway to Practice

Statistics from NCSBN

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

2025

RN ¹	Jan. – March		April – June		July – Sept.		Oct. – Dec.		YTD Total	
Type of Candidate	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
First-time, U.S.-educated										
Diploma	685	87.30%							685	87.30%
Baccalaureate Degree	26,589	88.52%							26,589	88.52%
Associate Degree	25,526	88.41%							25,526	88.41%
Invalid or Special Program Codes	97	46.39%							97	46.39%
Total First-time, U.S.-educated	52,897	88.37%							52,897	88.37%
Repeat, U.S.-educated										
	7,681	51.44%							7,681	51.44%
First-time, Internationally Educated										
	13,068	46.55%							13,068	46.55%
Repeat, Internationally Educated										
	9,782	30.15%							9,782	30.15%
All Candidates	83,428	71.59%							83,428	71.59%
PN ²	Jan. – March		April – June		July – Sept.		Oct. – Dec.		YTD Total	
Type of Candidate	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage	Count	Percentage
First-time, U.S.-educated										
	13,292	86.28%							13,292	86.28%
Repeat, U.S.-educated										
	2,925	38.22%							2,925	38.22%
First-time, Internationally Educated										
	124	61.29%							124	61.29%
Repeat, Internationally Educated										
	96	36.46%							96	36.46%
All Candidates	16,437	77.25%							16,437	77.25%

¹ The RN Passing Standard is 0.00 logits.

² The PN Passing Standard is -0.18 logits.

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