



General Statistics Report
February 2021 California Bar Examination¹
Overall Statistics for Categories with More Than 11 Applicants Who Completed the Examination

Applicant Group	First-Timers			Repeaters			All Takers		
	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass
General Bar Examination	1,225	650	53.1	1,873	501	26.7	3,098	1,151	37.2
Attorneys' Examination	287	188	65.5	145	59	40.7	432	247	57.2
Total	1,512	838	55.4	2,018	560	27.8	3,530	1,398	39.6

Disciplined Attorneys Examination Statistics

	Took	Pass	%Pass
CA Disciplined Attorneys	16	2	12.5

General Bar Examination Statistics⁵

Law School Type	First-Timers			Repeaters			All Takers		
	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	340	222	65.3	579	225	38.9	919	447	48.6
Out-of-State ABA	165	95	57.6	203	53	26.1	368	148	40.2
CA Accredited	84	37	44.0	329	56	17.0	413	93	22.5
CA Unaccredited	42	17	40.5	124	19	15.3	166	36	21.7
Law Office/Judges' Chambers	*			*			*		
Foreign Educated/JD Equivalent + One Year US Education	58	10	17.2	151	23	15.2	209	33	15.8
US Attorneys Taking the General Bar Exam ²	222	182	82.0	58	33	56.9	280	215	76.8
Foreign Attorneys Taking the General Bar Exam ³	282	66	23.4	301	66	21.9	583	132	22.6
4-Year Qualification ⁴	*			21	1	4.8	24	1	4.2
Schools No Longer in Operation	25	18	72.0	103	23	22.3	128	41	32.0
Total	1,225	650	53.1	1,873	501	26.7	3,098	1,151	37.2

¹ These statistics were compiled using data available as of May 21, 2021.

² Attorneys admitted in other jurisdictions less than four years must take and those admitted four or more years may elect to take the General Bar Examination.

³ Attorneys admitted in foreign jurisdictions must take the General Bar Examination.

⁴ Applicants may qualify to take the General Bar Examination through a combination of four years of law study without graduating from a law school.

⁵ Transitioning law schools: Applicants from Thomas Jefferson School of Law and University of La Verne College of Law are included in the ABA approved program. Applicants from Concord Law School, St. Francis School of Law, and Northwestern California University School of Law are included in the unaccredited law school program. Applicants from Pacific Coast University School of Law and Southern California Institute are included in the accredited law school program.

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Number of Applicants Completing the Examination & Percent Passing by Racial/Ethnic Group General Bar Examination First-Time Takers Only ⁵

School Type	Asian		Black		Hispanic		White		Other **		Decline to Answer	
	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	53	66.0	13	30.8	46	60.9	127	72.4	60	65.0	41	58.5
Out-of-State ABA	29	55.2	12	50	17	29.4	67	65.7	29	55.2	11	72.7
CA Accredited	*		*		21	28.6	28	50.0	13	38.5	13	61.5
CA Unaccredited	*		*		*		22	59.1	*		*	
Other	260	28.5	27	37.0	43	41.9	190	71.6	55	49.1	19	73.7
Total	356	36.5	60	35.0	130	45.4	434	68.9	158	55.1	87	62.1

Number of Takers and Percent Passing by Racial/Ethnic Group: Repeaters ⁵

School Type	Asian		Black		Hispanic		White		Other **		Decline to Answer	
	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	111	38.7	48	25.0	98	35.7	178	37.6	114	50.0	31	35.5
Out-of-State ABA	53	26.4	44	34.1	23	17.4	51	23.5	25	28.0	8	12.5
CA Accredited	53	13.2	33	9.1	81	21.0	106	18.9	45	15.6	11	18.2
CA Unaccredited	20	15.0	15	13.3	25	8.0	56	19.6	*		*	
Other	286	22.7	47	14.9	80	23.8	159	27.0	48	22.9	15	20.0
Total	523	25.2	187	20.9	307	25.1	550	27.8	239	34.7	67	25.4

*Fewer than 11 applicants

**Includes racial/ethnic groups American Indian, Native Hawaiian, other and more than one racial/ethnic group.

Number of First-Time Takers and Repeaters by Gender*** ⁵

School Type	First-Timers						Repeaters					
	Males		Females		Other		Males		Females		Other	
	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	143	66.4	188	64.4	*		246	34.6	326	41.4	*	
Out-of-State ABA	74	58.1	86	57.0	*		94	22.3	107	29.9	*	
CA Accredited	33	33.3	50	50.0	*		141	13.5	184	19.6	*	
CA Unaccredited	22	36.4	19	47.4	*		66	13.6	58	17.2	*	
Other	242	47.9	342	46.5	*		271	22.1	359	24.0	*	
Total	514	53.1	685	53.0	4	25.0	818	23.7	1,034	28.9	4	50.0

***Number are for those reporting gender

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing:
California ABA Approved Law Schools

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CALIFORNIA WESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW	51	33	65	54	15	28
CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	19	14	74	26	8	31
GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	19	8	42	59	15	25
LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL – LOS ANGELES	16	15	94	31	15	48
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY	*			20	9	45
SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	24	17	71	38	23	61
SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL	21	12	57	48	26	54
STANFORD LAW SCHOOL	*			*		
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW	27	9	33	58	9	16
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – BERKELEY	11	8	73	*		
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – DAVIS	*			13	9	69
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA - HASTINGS	16	10	63	33	9	27
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – IRVINE	*			12	6	50
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES	*			14	6	43
UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE COLLEGE OF LAW	11	6	55	28	10	36
UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC MCGEORGE SCHOOL OF LAW	20	16	80	25	13	52
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO SCHOOL OF LAW	17	13	76	15	5	33
UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL OF LAW	15	9	60	46	16	35
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA	*			15	11	73
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE OF LAW	28	19	68	36	14	39
TOTAL	340	222	65	580	225	39

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: Out-of-State ABA Law Schools with 10 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY	*			*		
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	*			*		
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY	14	7	50.0	*		
WESTERN MICHIGAN UNIVERSITY	*			*		
ALL OTHER OUT-OF-STATE SCHOOLS	136	81	60	181	47	26
TOTAL	165	95	58	204	53	26

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: California Accredited Law Schools ⁵

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CALIFORNIA NORTHERN SCHOOL OF LAW	*			*		
EMPIRE COLLEGE SCHOOL OF LAW	*			*		
GLENDALE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
HUMPHREYS UNIVERSITY DRIVON SCHOOL OF LAW	*			13	2	15
JOHN F. KENNEDY SCHOOL OF LAW	*			28	4	14
KERN COUNTY COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
LINCOLN LAW SCHOOL OF SACRAMENTO	*			26	7	27
LINCOLN LAW SCHOOL OF SAN JOSE	*			21	4	19
MONTEREY COLLEGE OF LAW	*			16	3	19
PACIFIC COAST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	*			27	4	15
SAN DIEGO LAW SCHOOL, ALLIANT INTERNATIONAL UNIV	*			*		
SAN FRANCISCO LAW SCHOOL	*			*		
SAN JOAQUIN COLLEGE OF LAW	*			22	7	32
SAN LUIS OBISPO COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
SANTA BARBARA COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
SOUTHERN CALIF. INST. – SANTA BARBARA	*			*		
SOUTHERN CALIF. INST. – VENTURA	*			*		
TRINITY LAW SCHOOL	*			40	6	15
UNIVERSITY OF WEST LOS ANGELES	15	6	40	64	11	17
VENTURA COLLEGE OF LAW	12	3	25	12	2	17
TOTAL	84	37	44	329	56	17

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: California Unaccredited Law Schools, Fixed Facility ⁵

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CALIFORNIA DESERT TRIAL ACADEMY COLLEGE	*			*		
CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN LAW SCHOOL	*			*		
IRVINE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
PACIFIC WEST COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
PEOPLE'S COLLEGE OF LAW	*			*		
WESTERN SIERRA LAW SCHOOL	*			*		
TOTAL	4	0	0	21	0	0

California Unaccredited Law Schools, Distance Learning ⁵

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
ABRAHAM LINCOLN UNIVERSITY	*			25	5	20
AMERICAN HERITAGE UNIVERSITY SOL	*			*		
CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF LAW	*			*		
CONCORD LAW SCHOOL, PURDUE UNIVERSITY	12	5	42	24	4	17
ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL OF LAW	*			*		
TOTAL	15	7	47	58	10	17

California Unaccredited Law Schools, Correspondence ⁵

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF LAW	*			*		
CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN UNIVERSITY	*			*		
NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY	13	6	46	31	7	23
OAK BROOK COLL OF LAW	*			*		
TAFT LAW SCHOOL	*			*		
TOTAL	23	10	43	46	9	20