



General Statistics Report July 2023 California Bar Examination¹

Overall Statistics for Categories with 11 or More Applicants Who Completed the Examination

Applicant Group	First-Timers			Repeaters			All Takers		
	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass
General Bar Examination	5083	3,292	64.8	2472	598	24.2	7555	3890	51.5
Attorneys' Examination	229	131	57.2	127	39	30.7	356	170	47.8
Total	5312	3423	64.4	2599	637	24.5	7911	4060	51.3

Disciplined Attorneys Examination Statistics

	Took	Pass	%Pass
CA Disciplined Attorneys	21	6	28.6

General Bar Examination Statistics

Law School Type	First-Timers			Repeaters			All Takers		
	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass	Took	Pass	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	2947	2249	76.3	701	257	36.7	3647	2505	68.7
Out-of-State ABA	1083	757	69.9	307	84	27.4	1390	841	60.5
CA Accredited	327	109	33.3	548	86	15.7	876	195	22.3
CA Unaccredited	49	9	18.4	175	17	9.7	224	26	11.6
Law Office/Judges' Chambers				12	5	41.7	14	6	42.9
Foreign Educated/JD Equivalent + One Year US Education	141	23	16.3	197	30	15.2	339	53	15.6
US Attorneys Taking the General Bar Exam ²									
Foreign Attorneys Taking the General Bar Exam ³	26	4	15.4	197	41	20.8	223	45	20.2
4-Year Qualification ⁴				14	1	7.1	15	1	6.7
Schools No Longer in Operation	506	140	27.7	313	75	24.0	819	215	26.3
Total	5082	3292	64.8	2472	598	24.2	7555	3889	51.5

*Fewer than 11 Applicants

¹ These statistics were revised as of March 27, 2024.

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 The following law schools were accredited by the Committee of Bar Examiners and are now reported in the accredited category: Concord Law School; St. Francis Law School; Northwestern California School of Law. Each of these law schools enrolls some students who are completing the law school's unaccredited JD program, while others are enrolled in the law school's accredited JD program.

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Number of Applicants Completing the Examination & Percent Passing by Racial/Ethnic Group General Bar Examination First-Time Takers Only⁵

School Type	White		Black		Latino		Asian		Other *		Decline to Answer	
	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	1461	82.8	105	58.1	568	70.8	509	69.9	211	72.0	92	72.8
Out-of-State ABA	527	76.5	86	45.3	154	56.5	213	72.3	51	70.6	52	73.1
CA Accredited	121	42.1	22	31.8	106	28.3	41	19.5	22	36.4	16	31.3
CA Unaccredited	16	31.3										
Other	106	40.6	27	25.9	87	26.4	406	20.7	36	27.8	15	13.3
Total	2231	76.7	248	46.0	923	58.7	1175	51.2	325	64.0	181	63.0

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

School Type	White		Black		Latino		Asian		Other *		Decline to Answer	
	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass	Took	%Pass
CA ABA Approved	233	36.5	65	27.7	189	35.4	131	37.4	59	52.5	24	29.2
Out-of-State ABA	87	27.6	51	21.6	62	29.0	65	29.2	18	33.3	24	25.0
CA Accredited	174	15.5	57	10.5	188	15.4	70	12.9	43	23.3	16	31.3
CA Unaccredited	43	7.0	35	14.3	52	7.7	38	10.5				
Other	146	26.7	60	6.7	117	17.9	376	20.7	36	27.8	6	16.7
Total	683	26.7	268	14.3	608	17.9	680	20.7	160	27.8	73	16.7

*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**

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	1109	80.5	1772	74.2	65	63.1	286	35.3	401	37.9	14	28.6
Out-of-State ABA	492	76.0	555	64.3	36	72.2	137	20.4	161	33.5		
CA Accredited	129	31.8	190	33.5			203	14.8	344	16.3		
CA Unaccredited	28	17.9	18	11.1			84	8.3	91	11.0		
Other	233	19.3	431	28.3	13	15.4	303	15.8	436	24.1		
Total	1991	68.2	2966	62.7	125	60.0	1013	21.1	1433	26.3	26	23.1

**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 with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CALIFORNIA WESTERN SCHOOL OF LAW	129	70	54	93	25	27
CHAPMAN UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	129	105	81	30	12	40
GOLDEN GATE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	68	35	51	65	13	20
LOYOLA LAW SCHOOL – LOS ANGELES	285	227	80	43	20	47
PEPPERDINE UNIVERSITY	128	105	82	24	11	46
SANTA CLARA UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	186	118	63%	58	23	40%
SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL	228	151	66	87	38	44
STANFORD LAW SCHOOL	84	79	94			
UC COLLEGE OF THE LAW, SAN FRANCISCO	299	218	73	50	24	48
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – BERKELEY	238	204	86			
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – DAVIS	154	127	82	17	3	18
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – IRVINE	118	103	87	15	4	27
UNIVERSITY OF CALIFORNIA – LOS ANGELES	267	236	88			
UNIVERSITY OF PACIFIC MCGEORGE SOL	139	91	65	47	21	45
UNIVERSITY OF SAN DIEGO SCHOOL OF LAW	205	162	79	43	19	44
UNIVERSITY OF SAN FRANCISCO SCHOOL OF LAW	78	55	71	55	15	27
UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GOULD SOL	151	121	80	12	6	50
WESTERN STATE COLLEGE OF LAW WESTCLIFF UNIV	43	26	60	34	7	21
TOTAL	2929	2233	76	696	254	36

Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: Out-of-State ABA Law Schools with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
AMERICAN UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON COL						
ARIZONA STATE UNIV. SANDRA DAY O'CONNOR COL	28	20	71			
BOSTON COLLEGE LAW SCHOOL						
BOSTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	18	13	72			
COLUMBIA UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL	36	31	86			
DUKE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	26	21	81			
EMORY UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	16	11	69			
GEORGE WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL	30	18	60			
GEORGETOWN UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL	53	41	77			
HARVARD UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL	80	72	90			
NEW YORK UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	25	23	92			
NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY PRITZKER SOL	36	30	83			
TULANE UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	16	10	63			
UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO LAW SCHOOL	28	25	89			
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN LAW SCHOOL	34	31	91			
UNIVERSITY OF NOTRE DAME LAW SCHOOL	15	13	87			
UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS AT AUSTIN SCHOOL OF LAW	13	12	92			
UNIVERSITY OF VIRGINIA SCHOOL OF LAW	27	25	93			
WASHINGTON UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	15	11	73			
YALE UNIVERSITY LAW SCHOOL	27	26	96			
ALL OTHER OUT-OF-STATE SCHOOLS	397	201	51	195	48	25
TOTAL	933	646	69	249	63	25

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: California Accredited Law Schools with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CAL NORTHERN SCHOOL OF LAW				11	1	9
EMPIRE COLLEGE SCHOOL OF LAW	12	5	42	14	1	7
GLENDALE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF LAW	14	3	21	20	3	15
HUMPHREYS UNIVERSITY DRIVON SCHOOL OF LAW				25	4	16
JFK SCHOOL OF LAW AT NATIONAL UNIVERSITY	12	1	8	25	3	12
KERN COUNTY COLLEGE OF LAW				13	2	15
LINCOLN LAW SCHOOL OF SACRAMENTO	53	23	46	32	5	16
MONTEREY COLLEGE OF LAW				19	0	0
NORTHWESTERN CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITY SOL	12	6	50	28	7	25
PURDUE GLOBAL LAW SCHOOL				18	4	22
SAN JOAQUIN COLLEGE OF LAW	31	10	32	21	5	24
SAN LUIS OBISPO COLLEGE OF LAW						
ST. FRANCIS SCHOOL OF LAW						
THE COLLEGES OF LAW – SANTA BARBARA				14	6	43
THE COLLEGES OF LAW - VENTURA	15	7	47	24	4	17
THOMAS JEFFERSON SCHOOL OF LAW	48	2	4	60	12	20
TRINITY LAW SCHOOL	16	3	19	63	4	6
UNIVERSITY OF LA VERNE COLLEGE OF LAW	43	26	60	56	11	20
UNIVERSITY OF WEST LOS ANGELES SCHOOL OF LAW	36	9	25	99	14	14
TOTAL	327	109	33	547	86	16

California Unaccredited Law Schools, Fixed Facility with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
CALIFORNIA DESERT TRIAL ACADEMY COL						
CALIFORNIA SOUTHERN LAW SCHOOL						
LINCOLN LAW SCHOOL OF SAN JOSE				17	2	12
PACIFIC COAST UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF LAW	14	2	14	42	1	2
PACIFIC WEST COLLEGE OF LAW						
PEOPLES COLLEGE OF LAW						
WESTERN SIERRA LAW SCHOOL						
TOTAL	21	3	14	84	4	5

California Unaccredited Law Schools, Distance Learning with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
ABRAHAM LINCOLN UNIVERSITY				33	6	18
CALIFORNIA SCHOOL OF LAW						
IRVINE COLLEGE OF LAW						
SAN FRANCISCO LAW SCHOOL – ALLIANT INT. UNIV.				21	1	5
SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA INSTITUTE – VENTURA				11	1	9
TOTAL	23	4	17	75	10	13

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Number of First-Timers and Repeaters Taking and Passing and the Percent Passing: California Unaccredited Law Schools, Correspondence with 11 or More Takers

LAW SCHOOL	FIRST-TIMERS			REPEATERS		
	TOOK	PASS	%PASS	TOOK	PASS	%PASS
AMERICAN INSTITUTE OF LAW						
AMERICAN INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL OF LAW						
OAK BROOK COLLEGE OF LAW						
TAFT LAW SCHOOL				11	1	9
TOTAL	8	4	50	19	4	21