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Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

## **First-Time Bar Passage**

Calendar year of graduation	in the calendar year	who took the bar exam	Graduates who took bar exam after graduation	not	Grads with no bar info	First time takers from prior grad years	Total first- time takers	Total who passed the bar	Law school bar passage rate*	ABA weighted average bar pass rate**	Difference in bar pass rate***	Graduates admitted via alternative pathways to licensure	Total First- Time Bar Passage Rate: first time takers and alternative pathways to licensure
2023	131	0	126	5	0	11	137	119	86.86%	73.13%	13.73%	0	86.86%
2022	140	-	-	10	0	11	141	119	84.40%	72.73%	11.67%	0	84.40%
2021	214	-	-	20	0	10	204	181	88.72%	77.39%	11.33%	0	88.73%

<sup>\*</sup>For 2022 and 2021, the ABA did not collect information about "graduates who took the bar exam before graduation" and "graduates who took the bar exam after graduation" as it does currently, so those data fields are not included in this report.

#### Details 2023:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
CALIFORNIA	120	103	85.83%	72.33%	13.50%
11 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	17	16	94.12%	77.33%	16.79%

## Details 2022:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
CALIFORNIA	126	107	84.92%	72.15%	12.77%
11 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	15	12	80.00%	77.49%	2.51%

#### Details 2021:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
CALIFORNIA	180	159	88.33%	76.99%	11.34%
14 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	24	22	91.67%	78.52%	13.15%

# **Two-Year Ultimate Bar Passage**

Calendar year of graduation	Total graduates in calendar year	raduates in with no info not take a two years of their date of graduation			Graduates who have been admitted via an alternative pathway to licensure	Ultimate Bar Passage Rate Total % (incl. alternative pathways)		
				#	#	%		
				of takers	who passed	who passed		
2021	214	0	8	206	196	95.15%	0	95.15%
2020	141	0	5	134	128	95.52%	2	95.59%
2019	143	0	3	140	137	97.86%	0	97.86%

<sup>\*\*</sup>Law School pass rate is how the Law School's graduates performed across all jurisdictions where they took the bar examination for the first time.

<sup>\*\*\*</sup>The ABA weighted average bar pass rate is the average pass rate for graduates from ABA-accredited law schools for each jurisdiction in which the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam. This number is weighted so that bar pass rates from jurisdictions where more of the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam have a greater impact on the ABA weighted average bar pass rate than bar pass rates from jurisdictions where fewer of the Law School's graduates sat for the bar exam.

<sup>\*\*\*\*</sup>The difference between the Law School pass rate and the ABA weighted average bar pass rate compares the performance of the Law School's graduates on the bar exam in all jurisdictions where they took the bar exam for the first time with the performance of graduates from all ABA-accredited law schools on the bar exam in those same jurisdictions.