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Legal Education and Admissions to the Bar

## **First-Time Bar Admission**

Calendar year of graduation	Graduates in the calendar year	Graduates who took the bar exam before graduation*	Graduates who took bar exam after graduation*	who	Grads with no bar info	First time takers from prior grad years	Total first- time takers	Total who passed the bar	Law school bar pass rate**	ABA weighted average bar pass rate***	in bar pass	Graduates admitted via alternative pathways to licensure	Total First- Time Bar Admission Rate: first time takers and alternative pathways to licensure
2024	521	15	481	17	8	5	501	480	95.81%	84.99%	10.82%	0	95.81%
2023	426	12	391	6	17	9	412	393	95.39%	81.65%	13.74%	0	95.39%
2022	412	-	-	17	2	4	397	372	93.70%	81.31%	12.39%	0	93.70%

\*For 2022, 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.

\*\*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.

\*\*\*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.

\*\*\*\*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.

### Details 2024:

Jurisdiction	Takers Passers		Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
CALIFORNIA	33	28	84.85%	77.62%	7.23%
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	28	28	100.00%	85.01%	14.99%
NEW YORK	400	387	96.75%	86.30%	10.45%
17 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	40	37	92.50%	77.84%	14.66%

#### Details 2023: Jurisdiction Takers Passers Pass % State Pass % for ABA approved law Difference schools CALIFORNIA 33 28 84.85% 72.33% 12.52% DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA 25 25 100.00% 83.41% 16.59% **NEW YORK** 326 313 96.01% 82.96% 13.05% **13 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS** 28 96.43% 75.21% 21.22% 27

# Details 2022:

Jurisdiction	Takers	Passers	Pass %	State Pass % for ABA approved law schools	Difference
NEW YORK	321	305	95.02%	82.69%	12.33%
CALIFORNIA	26	20	76.92%	72.15%	4.77%
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA	16	15	93.75%	79.62%	14.13%
11 REMAINING JURISDICTIONS	34	32	94.12%	74.97%	19.15%

## **Two-Year Ultimate Bar Admission**

Calendar year of graduation	Total graduates in calendar year	# of grads with no info	# who did not take a bar	Graduates who sat for a bar exam within two years of their date of graduation			Graduates who have been admitted via an alternative pathway to licensure	Ultimate Bar Admission Rate Total % (incl. alternative pathways)
				# of takers	# who passed	% who passed		
2022	410	1	4	405	401	99.01%	0	99.01%

2021	462	6	6	450	435	96.67%	0	96.67%
2020	429	5	6	423	407	96.22%	0	96.22%

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