

Report of 2022 NCLEX-RN® Examination Pass Rates For Professional Nursing Education Programs

Summary:

The period for this pass rate report extends from January 1, 2022 through December 31, 2022 as the examination year was moved to a calendar year for professional nursing education programs per Board approval at the January 2021 meeting. The attached report provides final 2022 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rates of first-time test-takers from the professional nursing education programs in Texas as well as for clinical competency assessment programs operated out-of-state, for the purpose of meeting requirements of HB 2950 passed during the 85th regular session of the Texas Legislature. Programs with an asterisk (*) are recognized with commendations for their pass rates of 90% or above. New programs that have not had graduates are not included in the report. Rule 215.4(c) states that “Approval status is determined biennially by the Board on the basis of the program’s compliance audit, NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate, and other pertinent data”. Certificates of Approval are provided to all programs every two years and will next be provided in 2024.

Trends:

- The overall 2022 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate for Texas programs is 84.28% (12,499/14,831 candidates), which is above the national average of 79.91%.
- Texas is one of three states with more than 10,000 first-time candidates for the NCLEX-RN® examination. The other two states are California and Florida.
- Thirty-eight active professional nursing education programs in Texas experienced a ninety percent (90%) or higher 2022 NCLEX-RN® examination pass rate with five programs scoring 100%.
- Twenty professional programs will be required to submit a Self-Study Report for a pass rate below 80%.

The following table provides a comparison of Texas RN pass rates with the national average.

Year	2022	2021	2020	2019	2018
Average for Texas Programs	84.28% 12,499/14,831	86.70% 13,293/15,333	91.00% 12,039/13,231	91.90% 11,905/12,954	91.62% 11,446/12,493
National Average	79.91% 150,214/187,986	82.13% 167,214/203,608	86.76% 151,617/174,750	88.07% 150,508/170,899	88.56% 143,508/162,041

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FIRST TIME RN CANDIDATES EDUCATED IN TEXAS
REGARDLESS OF STATE OF INITIAL LICENSURE
Preliminary Report for 2022 (January 1, 2022 – December 31, 2022)

(* = Programs with pass rates over 90%)

Diploma Program	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Covenant School of Nursing	Lubbock	123/151	81.46%
Diploma Totals		123/151	81.46%
ADN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Alvin Community College	Alvin	84/92	*91.30%
Amarillo College	Amarillo	130/141	*92.20%
Angelina College	Lufkin	52/65	80.00%
Austin Community College	Austin	259/320	80.94%
Baptist Health System School of Health	San Antonio	167/207	80.68%
Blinn College	Bryan	99/103	*96.12%
Brazosport College	Lake Jackson	18/20	*90.00%
Central Texas College	Killeen	54/73	73.97%
Cisco College	Abilene	50/60	83.33%
Clarendon College	Pampa	25/34	73.53%
Coastal Bend College	Beeville	76/105	72.38%
College of Nursing and Advanced Health Professions	Richardson	20/24	83.33%
College of the Mainland	Texas City	61/72	84.72%
Collin College	McKinney	172/191	*90.05%
Dallas College at Brookhaven	Farmers Branch	54/57	*94.74%
Dallas College at El Centro	Dallas	99/135	73.33%
Dallas College at Mountain View	Dallas	39/44	88.64%

ADN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Del Mar College	Corpus Christi	163/210	77.62%
El Paso Community College	El Paso	108/134	80.60%
Galen College of Nursing	San Antonio	426/528	80.68%
Galveston College	Galveston	29/39	74.36%
Grayson College	Denison	77/101	76.24%
Hill College	Hillsboro	18/19	*94.74%
Houston Community College	Houston	97/197	49.24%
Howard College	Big Spring	27/27	*100.00%
Howard College – San Angelo	San Angelo	32/36	88.89%
Kilgore College	Kilgore	55/68	80.88%
Lamar State College - Orange	Orange	27/34	79.41%
Lamar State College – Port Arthur	Port Arthur	56/62	*90.32%
Laredo College	Laredo	25/25	*100.00%
Lee College	Baytown	16/17	*94.12%
Lone Star College – Cyfair	Cypress	35/40	87.50%
Lone Star College – Kingwood	Kingwood	79/91	86.81%
Lone Star College – Montgomery	Conroe	29/31	*93.55%
Lone Star College – North Harris	Houston	92/107	85.98%
Lone Star College – Tomball	Tomball	41/48	85.42%
McLennan Community College	Waco	36/37	*97.30%
Midland College	Midland	44/46	*95.65%
Navarro College	Corsicana	55/62	88.71%
North Central Texas College	Gainesville	75/83	*90.36%
Northeast Texas Community College	Mt. Pleasant	40/43	*93.02%

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Odessa College	Odessa	81/85	*95.29%
Panola College	Carthage	44/47	*93.62%
Paris Junior College	Paris	50/58	86.21%
Ranger College	Early	37/51	72.55%
Rio Grande Valley College	Pharr	38/43	88.37%
San Antonio College	San Antonio	161/194	82.99%
San Jacinto College-Central	Pasadena	110/126	87.30%
San Jacinto College-South	Houston	45/51	88.24%
South Plains College	Levelland	39/77	50.65%
South Texas College	McAllen	223/289	77.16%
Southwest Texas Junior College	Del Rio	29/32	*90.63%
Southwest University	El Paso	19/24	79.17%
St. Philip's College	San Antonio	7/10	70.00%
Tarrant County College	Fort Worth	267/333	80.18%
Temple College	Temple	100/113	88.50%
Texarkana College	Texarkana	74/87	85.06%
Texas Southmost College	Brownsville	16/21	76.19%
Texas State Technical College-Harlingen	Harlingen	32/49	65.31%
Texas State Technical College-West Texas	Sweetwater	20/25	80.00%
The College of Health Care Professions	Houston	27/30	*90.00%
Trinity Valley Community College	Kaufman	87/99	87.88%
Tyler Junior College	Tyler	150/174	86.21%
Vernon College	Vernon	57/70	81.43%
Victoria College	Victoria	60/69	86.96%
Weatherford College	Weatherford	141/177	79.66%
Wharton County Junior College	Wharton	42/50	84.00%

ADN Programs Total		5,097/6,212	82.05%
BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Abilene Christian University	Abilene	50/60	83.33%
Angelo State University	San Angelo	76/80	*95.00%
Arizona College of Nursing	Dallas	28/29	*96.55%
Baylor University	Dallas	300/336	89.29%
Chamberlain College of Nursing	Houston	122/149	81.88%
Chamberlain College of Nursing	Irving	90/113	79.65%
Chamberlain College of Nursing	Pearland	97/130	74.62%
Chamberlain College of Nursing	San Antonio	26/34	76.47%
Concordia University	Austin	187/245	76.33%
East Texas Baptist University	Marshall	27/37	72.97%
Galen College of Nursing	San Antonio	81/91	89.01%
Hallmark University	San Antonio	46/48	*95.83%
Houston Christian University	Houston	74/92	80.43%
Howard Payne University	Brownwood	3/5	60.00%
Lamar University	Beaumont	113/121	*93.39%
LeTourneau University	Longview	8/8	*100%
Midwestern State University	Wichita Falls	92/114	80.70%
Patty Hanks Shelton School of Nursing	Abilene	23/28	82.14%
Prairie View A&M University	Houston	84/105	80.00%
Sam Houston State University	Huntsville	117/124	*94.35%
Schreiner University	Kerrville	10/10	100.00%
South University	Austin	29/42	69.05%
Southwestern Adventist University	Keene	33/43	76.74%

BSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Stephen F. Austin State University	Nacogdoches	110/114	*96.49%
Tarleton State University	Stephenville	104/192	54.17%
Texas A&M HSC College of Nursing	Bryan	191/205	*93.17%
Texas A&M International University	Laredo	72/87	82.76%
Texas A&M University Commerce	Commerce	33/40	82.50%
Texas A&M University	Corpus Christi	177/253	69.96%
Texas A&M University	Texarkana	14/15	*93.33%
Texas Christian University	Fort Worth	170/180	*94.44%
Texas Lutheran University	Seguin	118/132	89.39%
Texas State University	Round Rock	87/87	*100%
Texas Tech HSC – Gayle Greave Hunt SON	El Paso	108/123	87.80%
Texas Tech HSC SON	Lubbock	473/532	88.91%
Texas Woman’s University	Denton	405/440	*92.05%
University of Houston College of Nursing	Sugar Land	91/93	*97.85%
University of the Incarnate Word	San Antonio	124/133	*93.23%
University of Mary Hardin Baylor	Belton	145/163	88.96%
University of St. Thomas Accelerated BSN	Houston	134/170	78.82%
University of St. Thomas SON	Houston	77/91	84.62%
University of Texas at Arlington	Arlington	653/751	86.95%
University of Texas at Austin	Austin	101/119	84.87%
University of Texas at El Paso	El Paso	263/299	87.96%
University of Texas Rio Grande Valley	Edinburg	128/153	83.66%
University of Texas Permian Basin	Odessa	33/53	62.26%
University of Texas at Tyler	Tyler	345/411	83.94%
University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston	Houston	314/343	*91.55%
University of Texas Health Science Center at San Antonio	San Antonio	270/304	88.82%

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University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston	Galveston	314/327	*96.02%
Wayland Baptist University	San Antonio	13/16	81.25%
West Coast University Texas	Dallas	240/291	82.47%
West Texas A&M University	Canyon	60/67	89.55%
Western Governors University	Austin	122/155	78.71%
Western Technical College	El Paso	28/34	82.35%
BSN Programs Total		7,232/8,416	85.93%
MSN Programs			
MSN Programs	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
University of Texas at Austin Alternate Entry MSN	Austin	47/52	*90.38%
MSN Total		47/52	90.38%
Grand Total for Texas	(reported by NCSBN) (to calculate cleaned data for final report)	12,499/14,831	84.28%
National Average	(reported by NCSBN)	150,214/187,986	79.91%

ADN Program	Location	First-Time Candidates Passed/Attempted	Exam Pass Rate for First-Time Candidates
Excelsior College	Albany, New York	498/741	67.21%

HB 2950 passed during the 85th Regular Legislative Session amended the Nursing Practice Act, Section 301.157(d-11) to cause the Board to monitor NCLEX-RN® pass rates for clinical competency assessment programs operated out-of-state as a means to determine substantive equivalence to Board standards. The Nursing Practice Act, Section 301.157(d-1) allows a school of nursing or educational program to be considered approved by the board and, except as provided by Subsection (d-7), is exempt from board rules that require ongoing approval if the school or program: (1) is accredited and maintains accreditation through a national nursing accrediting agency selected by the board under Subsection (b)(5); and (2) maintains acceptable pass rate as determined by the board on the applicable licensing examination under this chapter. Excelsior College was denied continued accreditation from the Accreditation Commission for Education in Nursing in March 2020. Following an appeal hearing of the decision, Excelsior College has voluntarily withdrawn accreditation of the program effective May 11, 2021, and Excelsior students who graduate after that date will be required to fulfill additional requirements to become eligible for a Texas license [Rule 217.2(C-E)].