

New York Bar Exam Pass Rates 2004-2019

July Exams

FIRST TIME TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	81%	81%	87%	88%	91%	88%	86%	86%	85%	88%	83%	79%	82%	86%	81%	85%
Out of State ABA Schools	85%	85%	87%	86%	90%	88%	86%	86%	82%	84%	82%	79%	83%	87%	85%	87%
ABA Graduates	83%	83%	87%	87%	91%	88%	86%	86%	83%	86%	83%	79%	83%	86%	83%	86%
Foreign Educated	48%	43%	45%	46%	55%	46%	47%	46%	46%	46%	44%	42%	45%	57%	50%	53%
Non-ABA Schools*	100%	n/a	0%	100%	0%	100%	0%	n/a	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
Law Office Study *	0%	25%	25%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	67%	0%	0%	0%
All Candidates	77%	76%	79%	79%	83%	80%	78%	78%	76%	78%	74%	70%	73%	78%	74%	76%
ALL TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	73%	74%	79%	82%	85%	83%	81%	81%	80%	82%	77%	73%	75%	78%	73%	76%
Out of State ABA Schools	79%	79%	80%	81%	85%	84%	81%	81%	77%	78%	76%	72%	75%	79%	76%	78%
ABA Graduates	76%	76%	79%	81%	85%	84%	81%	81%	76%	80%	77%	73%	75%	78%	74%	77%
Foreign Educated	39%	33%	36%	37%	45%	39%	37%	35%	36%	37%	34%	33%	37%	48%	41%	43%
Non-ABA Schools*	75%	n/a	0%	50%	25%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	9%	33%	0%	0%	0%
Law Office Study *	17%	13%	10%	11%	0%	0%	0%	17%	20%	0%	0%	11%	29%	0%	0%	0%
All Candidates	67%	67%	70%	71%	75%	72%	70%	69%	68%	69%	65%	61%	64%	68%	63%	65%
REPEATERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	28%	19%	25%	35%	34%	35%	31%	31%	31%	28%	26%	31%	30%	35%	22%	29%
Out of State ABA Schools	32%	23%	22%	29%	37%	35%	30%	36%	34%	27%	24%	23%	30%	33%	22%	26%
ABA Graduates	29%	21%	24%	33%	36%	35%	31%	34%	32%	28%	25%	27%	30%	34%	22%	28%
Foreign Educated	19%	13%	19%	20%	25%	23%	20%	18%	20%	20%	17%	17%	18%	30%	19%	22%
Non-ABA Schools*	67%	n/a	0%	33%	33%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%
Law Office Study *	20%	n/a	0%	11%	0%	0%	0%	18%	11%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%
All Candidates	25%	17%	22%	26%	30%	28%	24%	25%	25%	23%	20%	22%	24%	32%	20%	24%

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February Exams

FIRST TIME TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	63%	68%	74%	69%	73%	70%	74%	73%	62%	73%	69%	68%	63%	69%	70%	72%
Out of State ABA Schools	69%	75%	74%	77%	78%	75%	83%	79%	71%	76%	76%	71%	70%	71%	68%	72%
ABA Graduates	67%	72%	74%	74%	76%	73%	81%	77%	69%	75%	74%	70%	67%	71%	69%	72%
Foreign Educated	43%	45%	38%	36%	43%	37%	33%	33%	36%	36%	39%	29%	34%	46%	42%	45%
Non-ABA Schools*	33%	0%	n/a	33%	0%	0%	n/a	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Law Office Study *	0%	0%	33%	33%	50%	67%	50%	0%	25%	75%	75%	0%	0%	100%	100%	0%
All Candidates	58%	62%	61%	61%	64%	60%	67%	63%	59%	64%	62%	56%	55%	61%	59%	61%
ALL TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	46%	52%	51%	49%	53%	48%	56%	60%	49%	60%	57%	52%	48%	51%	44%	53%
Out of State ABA Schools	56%	60%	59%	61%	63%	60%	71%	65%	57%	64%	63%	57%	50%	52%	47%	52%
ABA Graduates	50%	55%	55%	55%	59%	55%	65%	63%	53%	62%	60%	55%	49%	52%	45%	53%
Foreign Educated	37%	34%	31%	29%	38%	25%	28%	28%	31%	30%	30%	26%	30%	34%	28%	35%
Non-ABA Schools*	20%	0%	0%	25%	0%	0%	50%	0%	20%	0%	100%	33%	0%	0%	50%	50%
Law Office Study *	11%	14%	29%	8%	25%	22%	22%	0%	17%	30%	45%	13%	13%	13%	50%	0%
All Candidates	45%	47%	46%	44%	50%	42%	50%	48%	44%	50%	47%	43%	40%	44%	38%	45%
REPEATERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	40%	47%	44%	40%	44%	36%	48%	55%	43%	54%	52%	45%	43%	44%	31%	45%
Out of State ABA Schools	41%	44%	42%	39%	45%	34%	48%	49%	37%	52%	48%	43%	35%	35%	27%	34%
ABA Graduates	40%	46%	43%	40%	44%	35%	48%	52%	40%	53%	50%	44%	39%	40%	29%	41%
Foreign Educated	32%	28%	27%	25%	35%	18%	26%	25%	29%	28%	27%	24%	28%	28%	21%	30%
Non-ABA Schools*	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%
Law Office Study *	17%	14%	25%	0%	20%	0%	14%	0%	13%	0%	29%	13%	13%	0%	0%	0%
All Candidates	38%	39%	37%	33%	40%	26%	37%	39%	34%	42%	39%	35%	34%	34%	25%	36%

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July and February Combined

FIRST TIME TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	80%	80%	86%	87%	90%	87%	85%	85%	83%	87%	82%	78%	81%	84%	80%	84%
Out of State ABA Schools	83%	84%	85%	84%	88%	86%	85%	85%	80%	83%	81%	78%	81%	84%	82%	85%
ABA Graduates	81%	82%	85%	86%	89%	87%	85%	85%	82%	85%	82%	78%	81%	84%	81%	84%
Foreign Educated	47%	44%	43%	44%	52%	44%	44%	44%	44%	44%	43%	39%	43%	55%	49%	51%
Non-ABA Schools*	50%	0%	0%	50%	0%	50%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	100%	0%	0%	100%	0%
Law Office Study *	0%	0%	29%	33%	33%	50%	50%	0%	40%	60%	75%	50%	67%	50%	100%	0%
All Candidates	74%	74%	77%	77%	81%	77%	76%	76%	74%	76%	73%	68%	71%	76%	71%	73%
ALL TAKERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	67%	69%	73%	76%	79%	77%	77%	77%	74%	78%	73%	68%	68%	71%	66%	71%
Out of State ABA Schools	74%	75%	76%	76%	80%	79%	78%	77%	72%	75%	73%	68%	69%	72%	68%	71%
ABA Graduates	70%	72%	74%	76%	80%	78%	77%	77%	73%	76%	73%	68%	69%	71%	67%	71%
Foreign Educated	38%	34%	34%	34%	42%	34%	34%	33%	34%	35%	33%	31%	34%	43%	36%	40%
Non-ABA Schools*	44%	0%	0%	38%	17%	40%	20%	0%	10%	0%	17%	25%	20%	0%	25%	25%
Law Office Study *	13%	13%	18%	10%	17%	12%	12%	10%	18%	19%	31%	12%	20%	8%	14%	0%
All Candidates	62%	62%	64%	64%	69%	65%	65%	64%	61%	64%	60%	56%	57%	61%	56%	59%
REPEATERS	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
New York ABA Schools	35%	36%	37%	38%	40%	35%	41%	46%	38%	45%	42%	39%	38%	41%	27%	39%
Out of State ABA Schools	37%	35%	34%	34%	42%	35%	41%	44%	36%	42%	38%	35%	33%	34%	25%	31%
ABA Graduates	36%	36%	36%	37%	41%	35%	41%	45%	37%	44%	40%	37%	36%	37%	26%	35%
Foreign Educated	26%	21%	23%	23%	30%	21%	23%	22%	25%	25%	22%	20%	24%	29%	20%	26%
Non-ABA Schools*	40%	0%	0%	25%	25%	33%	50%	0%	0%	0%	33%	0%	33%	0%	0%	50%
Law Office Study *	18%	14%	10%	6%	13%	0%	7%	12%	12%	0%	17%	7%	8%	0%	0%	0%
All Candidates	32%	30%	30%	30%	35%	27%	31%	33%	30%	34%	31%	29%	30%	33%	23%	30%

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